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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.1 MegaLink® Service

B7.1.1 General

- A. MegaLink® service is furnished for Private Line IntraLATA communications by the Company.
- B. MegaLink® service is a service for the transmission of digital signals only and using only digital transmission facilities.
- C. MegaLink® service provides for the simultaneous two-way transmission of isochronous digital signals at DS1 speeds of 1.544 Mbps. where facilities are available.
- D. To ensure satisfactory operation, the terminal equipment provided by the customer must be compatible with the DS1/1.544 Mbps. channel facility provided by the Company. The technical specifications and standard network interfaces for DS1 Service are contained in BellSouth Services Technical Reference Publication 73525. This publication is available from BellSouth Services Documentation Operations, North W5A1, 3535 Colonnade Parkway, Birmingham, Alabama 35243.
- E. Unless specified following, the regulations for MegaLink® service specified herein apply in addition to the regulations set forth in Section B2. preceding.
- F. The rates specified for MegaLink® service in B7.1.3 following contemplate the provision of a digital quality facility over existing interoffice carrier equipment and/or exchange cable facilities compatible with this service. If such equipment, new facilities or changes to existing facilities are required for the provision of this service, a special construction charge based on the cost incurred to make the changes will apply in addition to the rates for MegaLink® service.

B7.1.2 Regulations

A. Description Of Service

1. MegaLink® service is furnished for the simultaneous two-way transmission of serial, Bipolar, Return-to-Zero, isochronous digital signals, except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format, at a speed of DS1/1.544 Mbps. between two-points located within a LATA.
2. Multipoint service is not available
3. Megalink® service is available on a month-to-month basis or under variable rate periods, with rates based on lengths of 36 months, 60 months, or 84 months under conditions specified in B2.4 of this Tariff. (C)
4. Connection of DS1/1.544 Mbps. communications systems provided by others may be made on a permissive basis as provided for in Section B2. The Company does not represent its MegaLink® service as adapted for such connections, and shall not be responsible for the through transmission of signals, or the quality of such transmission on such connections.
5. A Channel Service Unit or appropriate Termination Equipment provided by the customer is required at a customer's or authorized user's premises to perform such functions as:
 - proper termination of the service
 - amplification
 - signal shaping
 - remote loop-back
6. The design, maintenance, and operation of MegaLink® service contemplates communications originating and terminating as (1) a customer premises to customer premises channel via the Company's Serving Wire Center - and/or through remote Serving Wire Centers; (2) a customer premises to the Serving Wire Center - and/or to remote Serving Wire Centers - partial channel (link); or (3) a Central Office to Central Office (interoffice) partial channel (link).

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.1 MegaLink® Service (Cont'd)

B7.1.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

A. Description of Service (Cont'd)

7. MegaLink® service may also be furnished as links (partial channels) when connected to other services such as Centrex Type Services,¹ FlexServ® service, LightGate® service, MegaLink® Plus service, another MegaLink® service and/or MegaLink® channel service. (C)
8. All appropriate rates specified in other tariff sections are in addition to the monthly rate per package or single channel for MegaLink® service specified in this Tariff.

B. Definitions

CHANNEL SERVICE UNIT

The term "Channel Service Unit" denotes equipment provided by the Customer to terminate a digital facility on the customer's, or user's premises.

DIGITAL LOCAL CHANNEL

The term "Digital Local Channel" denotes a path for MegaLink® service furnished from the demarcation point on the customer's premises to their Serving Wire Center.

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This denotes a channel service expressed in terms of its digitally encoded data bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It has a 1.544 Mbps. transmission data rate, and provides for the two-way simultaneous transmission of isochronous timed, Bipolar Return-to-Zero bit stream format, except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format. Unframed signal formats are not permitted or compatible with Company equipment. The required format and interface specifications are contained in BellSouth Services Technical Reference Publication 73525.

INTEROFFICE CHANNEL

The term "Interoffice Channel" denotes a path (or paths) for digital transmission between Company Serving Wire Centers within a LATA. An interoffice channel may be furnished in such manner as the Company may elect.

C. Application of Rates

1. Digital Local Channels furnished between a Serving Wire Center and the customer's premises will be charged at rates based on the first 1/2 mile and each additional 1/2 mile for the airline distance measured between the Serving Wire Center and the customer's premises.
2. Interoffice Channels furnished between Central Offices will be charged at rates based on airline distance between the Central Offices.
3. MegaLink® service is available on a month-to-month basis or under variable rate periods, with rates based on lengths of 36 months, 60 months, or 84 months under conditions specified in the Channel Services Payment Plan section B2.4 of this Tariff except as modified following. Contract rate increases are subject to the stipulations of 4 following.
4. MegaLink® service rates under contract will not be increased by Company initiative until the contract period expires. Rates in effect at the time the service is installed and/or as of the service order application date, will be applicable until the contract expires. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment period option at current rates or revert to current rates on a month-to-month basis.

Note 1: Connection from MegaLink® service to Centrex Type Services may not be available from all Serving Wire Centers.

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B7.1 MegaLink® Service (Cont'd)

B7.1.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

C. Application of Rates (Cont'd)

5. A Termination Liability Charge is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the contract period subscribed to and will be equal to the number of months remaining in the contract times the monthly rate provided under contract. However, Termination Liability Charges will not apply for customer requests for moves of service under CSPP subject to the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.A.12. *or for customer requested changes of service under CSPP to Fast Packet Transport Services under the Fast Packet Transport Services Payment Plan subject to the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.A.4.b.* (C)
6. Airline distance between Company central offices shall be developed using the methodology found in B3.3.3 of this Tariff. Fractional mileage shall be rounded up to the next full mile.

D. Connections

1. Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected to MegaLink® service when such connection is made in accordance with the provision specified in 2, 3, and 4 following.
2. Responsibility of the Company
 - a. The responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing and maintenance of MegaLink® service to that point on the customer's premises where provision is made for the connection of customer-provided equipment. If the customer requires a different location in the same building, it can be provided under the Premises Network Wiring Charge found in Section B3. of this Tariff.
 - b. The Company shall not be responsible for installation, operation, or maintenance of any terminal equipment or communications systems provided by a customer. MegaLink® service is not represented as adapted for the use of such equipment or system. Where such equipment or system is connected to Company facilities, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of facilities suitable for MegaLink® service and to the maintenance and operation in a manner proper for such digital service. The Company shall not be responsible for:
 - the through transmission of signals generated by such equipment or system, or for the quality of or defects in such transmission, or
 - the reception of signals by such equipment or systems, or
 - damage to terminal equipment or communications systems provided by a customer or authorized user due to testing.
 - c. The Company shall not be responsible to the customer if changes in any of the facilities, operations or procedures of the Company utilized in the provision of MegaLink® service render any facilities or equipment provided by a customer obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment or system, or otherwise affects its use or performance.
 - d. The Company undertakes to maintain and repair the facilities which it furnishes. The customer may not rearrange, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair any equipment installed by the Company without prior written consent of the Company.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.1 MegaLink® Service (Cont'd)

B7.1.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

D. Connections (Cont'd)

3. Responsibility of the Customer

- a. The customer is responsible for installing and testing his premises equipment or facilities to insure that when they are connected with MegaLink® service such equipment or facilities are operating properly. (C)
- b. The operating characteristics of the customer premises equipment or facilities shall be such as not to interfere with any of the services offered by the Company. Such use is subject to the further provisions that the equipment provided by a customer does not: endanger the safety of Company employees or the public; damage, require change in or alteration of the equipment or other facilities of the Company; interfere with the proper functioning of such equipment or facilities; impair the operation of the Company's facilities or otherwise injure the public in its use of the Company's services. Upon notice from the Company that the equipment provided by a customer is causing or is likely to cause such hazard or interference the customer shall take such steps as shall be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard or interference. (C)
- c. The customer's responsibility shall include cooperative testing with the Company as may be necessary. Where regeneration and/or equalization adjustments or changes may be required to compensate for rearrangements and/or changes in outside plant facilities, the customer will be responsible for all expenses incurred in changes to his premises equipment. (C)
- d. The customer shall be responsible for payment of a Trouble Determination Charge as set forth in Section B2. of this Tariff for visits by the Company to the premises of the customer where the service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of equipment or facilities provided by the customer. (C)

4. Connection of Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems

- a. The following provisions will apply:
 - (1) Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment and/or Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected at the premises of the customer to MegaLink® service. (C)
 - (2) The customer, by use of *their* own derivation equipment, may create digital bit streams from a MegaLink® service and such equipment may be connected for transmission of such bit streams when connected thru a customer-provided Channel Service Unit/Termination Equipment. (C)
 - (3) The undertaking of the Company is to furnish MegaLink® service as ordered. The customer is required to provide the Channel Service Unit/Termination Equipment as specified in d. following. (C)
- b. Connections to other services furnished by the Company to the same customer:
MegaLink® service furnished by the Company may be connected by the customer to another service or to other services furnished by the Company as specified in 2. and 3. preceding. Connected services are subject to all rules and regulations governing the provisioning of those services. (C)
- c. Connections to other services furnished by the Company to different customers:
The customer may connect, at the premises of the customer, to another MegaLink® service or other services furnished by the Company to different customers as specified in 2. and 3. preceding. Connected services are subject to all rules and regulations governing the provisions of those services. (C)

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B7.1 MegaLink® Service (Cont'd)

B7.1.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

D. Connections (Cont'd)

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d. Connection of Channel Service Units:

A Channel Service Unit or appropriate Termination Equipment must be provided by the customer to connect a Company-provided digital facility. In accordance with Part 68 of the FCC's Rules and Regulations, new grandfathered Channel Service Unit/Termination Equipment may be connected, moved, and reconnected until June 30, 1987. After this date only registered and previously connected grandfathered Channel Service Unit/Termination Equipment may be connected to Company-provided digital facilities.

Grandfathered Channel Service Unit/Termination Equipment must comply with the requirements outlined in BellSouth Services Technical Reference 73525. This publication is now available from BellSouth Services Documentation Operations, North W5A1, 3535 Colonnade Parkway, Birmingham, Alabama 35243. Registered technical requirements for Channel Service Units/Termination Equipment are outlined in Part 68 of the FCC's Rules and Regulations. A copy may be obtained from the Federal Communications Commission, Room BB300, Washington, D. C. 20054.

E. Features

1. Clear Channel Capability

- a. Clear Channel Capability (CCC) is an arrangement that alters a DS1/1.544 Mbps signal with unconstrained information bits, to meet pulse density requirements outlined in Technical Reference 73525. This will allow a customer to transport an all zero octet over a MegaLink® service channel providing an available combined maximum 1.536 Mbps data rate. This arrangement requires the customer signal at the channel interface to conform to Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) line code as described in Technical Reference 73525.
- b. CCC is provided on MegaLink® service channels between two customer designated premises, from a customer premises to their Serving Wire Center or Node Central Office and/or to a remote Serving Wire Center or Node Central Office, and from a central office to a central office, and is subject to the availability of facilities. This optional feature may be ordered at the same time the MegaLink® service channel is ordered, or it may be ordered as an additional feature of an existing MegaLink® service channel.
- c. When providing CCC via a DS3/44.736 Mbps High Capacity channel, that DS3 channel must be designated, in Company records, as having Clear Channel Capability prior to the provisioning of a DS1/1.544 Mbps High Capacity channel with CCC. Customers must agree to out-of-service periods required to add this feature to an existing MegaLink® service channel to be optioned for B8ZS.

F. Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowance

1. The minimum period for which MegaLink® service is furnished and for which charges are applicable is one month.
2. Suspension of service is not allowed.
3. When MegaLink® service is interrupted due to causes other than negligence of the customer, or to the failure of facilities or equipment furnished by the customer, a credit allowance will be made upon request for the portion of service affected. For the purpose of determining the amount of allowance, every month is considered to have 30 days. All credit allowances shall begin from the time of notice by the customer to the Company, and will end when the service is operative. No credit is allowed for interruption to service of less than 30 minutes. Interruptions of 30 minutes or more are credited to the customer at the proportionate monthly rate in half-hour multiples for each half-hour, or major fraction thereof, of interruption. A customer must report the outage in order to receive service outage credit. The total credit received in any month shall not exceed the monthly rate for the service.

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B7.1 MegaLink® Service (Cont'd)

B7.1.3 Rates And Charges

A. A Digital Local Channel is furnished between a Serving Wire Center and the customer's premises. Rates are based on the airline distance between the Serving Wire Center and the customer's premises.

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC
1. Digital Local Channel, each ¹						
(a) First 1/2 mile	\$300.00	\$85.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	1LDPZ
(b) Each additional 1/2 mile, or fraction thereof	-	55.00	41.00	37.00	34.00	1LDPA

B. Interoffice Channels are furnished between Central Offices. Rates are based on the airline distance between Central Offices.

1. Interoffice Channel, each channel 0-8 miles ^{1,2,3}						
(a) Fixed monthly rate	125.00	75.00	65.00	60.00	55.00	1LNO1
(b) Each airline mile, or fraction thereof	-	29.50	16.00	14.00	12.00	1LNOA (R)
2. Interoffice Channel, each channel 9-25 miles ^{1,2,3}						
(a) Fixed monthly rate	125.00	75.00	65.00	60.00	55.00	1LNO2
(b) Each airline mile, or fraction thereof	-	29.50	16.00	14.00	12.00	1LNOB (R)
3. Interoffice Channel, each channel over 25 miles ^{1,2,3}						
(a) Fixed monthly rate	125.00	75.00	65.00	60.00	55.00	1LNO3
(b) Each airline mile, or fraction thereof	-	29.50	16.00	14.00	12.00	1LNOC (R)

C. Clear Channel Capability is furnished on a per MegaLink® service channel basis.

	Nonrecurring Charge Initial	Nonrecurring Charge Subsequent	Monthly Rate	USOC
1. Per MegaLink® service channel optioned as:				
(a) Superframe Format (SF)	\$-	\$730.00	\$-	CCOSF
(b) Extended Superframe Format (ESF)	-	730.00	-	CCOEF

Note 1: Contract lengths are flexible to allow customer choice of payment period per B2.4.9 of this Tariff.

Note 2: Refer to B3.3.3 of this Tariff for mileage measurement methodology.

Note 3: MegaLink® Plus service, specified in B7.9 of this Tariff, references rates and charges for this rate element.

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B7.1.3 Rates And Charges (Cont'd)

D. Move Charge

A move charge, per MegaLink® service channel, applies for each Digital Local Channel moved to a new location in the same building. This move charge is equal to the Digital Local Channel Nonrecurring Charge, Service Change Charge - Inside Moves, plus Premises Visit Charges.

A move charge, per MegaLink® service channel under CSPP, applies for each MegaLink® service moved to a new location in Company territory within the same state. This move charge is equal to the sum of all nonrecurring charges applicable to a new MegaLink® service channel installation at the new location.

E. Service Connection Charges

1. Service Establishment Charges are applicable, for each MegaLink® service channel ordered, for receiving and recording information and/or taking action in connection with a customer's request, and processing the necessary data. These charges include engineering design, common centralized testing and coordination. (M)
2. Service Change Charges are applicable for receiving and recording information and/or taking action in connection with a customer's Inside Move or transfer of service responsibility request, for processing the necessary data on an existing MegaLink® service channel. A Service Change Charge is applicable for each MegaLink® service channel associated with the customer request (in lieu of a Service Establishment Charge). (T)
3. Premises Visit Charges are applicable, per Digital Local Channel, for the termination of a channel at a customer's premises or for inside moves. Only one Premises Visit Charge applies when more than one channel service of the same type is terminated or moved at the same premises at the same time.
4. Connection charges are applicable for the connection and testing of Digital Local Channels and/or Interoffice Channels. The charges applied are those nonrecurring charges contained in B7.1.3.A and B preceding.
5. Charges for MegaLink® Service (M)

	Nonrecurring Charge	USOC	
a. Service Establishment Charge			(M)
(1) Per MegaLink® service channel			(M) (T)
(a) Each	\$600.00	MGLSE	(M)
b. Service Change Charge			(M)
(1) Per MegaLink® service channel			(M) (T)
(a) For Inside Moves, each	350.00	MGLIM	(M)
(b) Per Transfer of Responsibility, each	350.00	MGLTR	(M)
c. Premises Visit Charge ¹			(M) (T)
(1) Per Digital Local Channel, or for an Inside Move			(M) (T)
(a) Per Visit	35.00	MGLPV	(M)

Note 1: This charge is applicable to additional stations installed subsequently installed in a building.

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service

This Tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable for SynchroNet® service. Unless otherwise specified, the regulations contained herein are in addition to the regulations found in other sections of this Tariff.

B7.2.1 General

- A. SynchroNet® service is a data transmission service designed to transmit data in digital form end-to-end over digital facilities routed through a central office node.
- B. This service is available within a Lata where appropriate digital facilities are available as determined by the Company.
- C. Due to availability of equipment, multipoint, Secondary Channel Capability and/or Data Over Voice Channel may not be available in all SynchroNet® service locations.
- D. The service is furnished on a twenty-four hour per day, seven day per week basis, for a minimum period of one month.
- E. The customer shall furnish the Digital Terminating Equipment (DTE) on premises.
- F. SynchroNet® service is available on a month-to-month basis or under contract plans as described in B7.2.2.H. following.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.2 Regulations

A. Description Of Service

SynchroNet® service is capable of the simultaneous two-way transmission of digital signals at synchronous speeds of 2.4, 4.8, 9.6, 19.2, 56.0 or 64.0 Kbps between points located within a LATA. These channels may also be furnished on a link (partial channel) basis¹ when connected to FlexServ® service, PulseLink® service, LightGate® service, MegaLink® channel service *and/or* SMARTRing® service. (C)

The design, maintenance and operation of SynchroNet® service contemplates communications originating or terminating at stations of the customer. While connections of SynchroNet® service to communications systems provided by others may be made on a permissive basis as provided for in Section B2., the Company does not represent its SynchroNet® service as adapted for such connections, and shall not be responsible for the through transmission of signals, or the quality of such transmission on such connections.

1. The Digital Terminating Equipment (DTE) provided by the customer is required at a customer's or authorized user's premises to perform such functions as:

- Proper termination of the service
- Amplification
- Signal shaping
- Remote loop-back

When customer-provided terminal equipment, customer-provided derivation equipment or customer-provided communications systems are connected with SynchroNet® service, the customer or authorized user must provide his own equipment to perform the function of the DTE.

The connection of customer-provided equipment and systems is subject to the provisions set forth in D. following.

2. The service options available to the customer are as follows.

- a. Two-Station Service

Two-Station service consists of two digital local channels and any applicable digital interoffice channels furnished between two stations.

- b. Multipoint Service

Multipoint service consists of three or more digital local channels and any applicable digital interoffice channels furnished between three or more stations.

- c. Secondary Channel Capability

B. Definitions

DATA OVER VOICE CHANNEL

The term "Data Over Voice Channel" denotes a digital data channel derived from a two-wire local exchange facility that transmits voice and data signals simultaneously. A Data Over Voice Channel is provided at the speed of 9.6 Kbps and is furnished between a wire center and the demarcation point on the customer's premises over the customer's existing local exchange facility. The Data Over Voice Channel option may be used in lieu of a Digital Local Channel. Terminal equipment to support the Data Over Voice Channel must be provided by the customer.

DIGITAL INTEROFFICE CHANNEL

The term "Digital Interoffice Channel" denotes a path for SynchroNet® service between the serving wire center and node central office, or between node central offices, within a LATA. An interoffice channel may be furnished in such manner as the Company may elect.

DIGITAL LOCAL CHANNEL

The term "Digital Local Channel" denotes a path for SynchroNet® service furnished from the serving wire center to the demarcation point on the customer's premises.

Note 1: This also applies when the Data Over Voice Channel option is used.

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.2 Regulations(Cont'd)

B. Definitions (Cont'd)

DIGITAL TERMINATING EQUIPMENT

The term "Digital Terminating Equipment" denotes equipment provided by the Customer to terminate SynchroNet® service at the customer's premises. (T)

MULTIPOINT SERVICE

The term "Multipoint Service" denotes a service which provides communications capability between more than two private line station locations by means of a bridging or hubbing arrangement. For the provision of SynchroNet® service the bridging or hubbing arrangement shall be located at the Node Central Office. (T)

NODE CENTRAL OFFICE

The term "Node Central Office" denotes that physical location the Company has designated as a test, maintenance and monitoring center to service one or more Serving Wire Centers. There may be more than one Node Central Office within a LATA.

SECONDARY CHANNEL CAPABILITY

The term "Secondary Channel Capability" denotes the offering of a companion digital transmission capability over the same physical facility as the primary channel at a lower bit rate. Terminal equipment required to support secondary channel capability must be provided by the customer.

SERVING WIRE CENTER

The term "Serving Wire Center" denotes the local telephone central office assigned to subscribers in a well defined area. A Serving Wire Center may be further designated by the Company as a Node Central Office.

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

C. Method Of Applying Rates

For each customer premises termination, the following rate elements may apply:

- A local channel
- Interoffice channel
- Node termination
- Multipoint service
- Secondary Channel Capability
- Data Over Voice Channel

A Multipoint Arrangement is required to provide SynchroNet® service between three or more digital local channels, *data over voice local channels* or digital interoffice channels. A charge applies per channel, local or interoffice, arranged. Multipoint service, or bridging, is only available at node central offices. (N)

A digital local channel is furnished between a wire center and the demarcation point on the customer's premises. (C)

Digital interoffice channels will be charged at rates based on airline distance from the serving wire center to its primary node and/or between end point nodes.

When more than one node is designated within a LATA, the Company will assign the primary node(s) for each wire center. When customer premises terminations are located in wire centers assigned to different nodes, digital interoffice channel mileage will be calculated from each serving wire center to its assigned node. Digital interoffice channel mileage will also be calculated for the distance between the different end point nodes in the routing sequence.

Airline distance between Company central offices shall be developed using the methodology contained in B3.3.3. Fractional mileage shall be rounded up to the next full mile.

A data over voice channel at 9.6 Kbps is available as an optional feature and may be used in lieu of a 9.6 Kbps SynchroNet® service digital local channel. The customer must also subscribe to a compatible two-wire local exchange line (e.g., business exchange line). This two-wire exchange line and its associated rates and charges are in addition to the data over voice channel rates and charges. Node channel termination charges apply per data over voice channel. Interoffice channel mileage charges apply between the customer's serving wire center and the node central office if the customer's serving wire center is not a node office. (N)

A data over voice channel may be used in a two-station arrangement and a multipoint arrangement. (N)

D. Connections

Customer-provided terminal equipment, customer-provided derivation equipment and customer-provided communications systems may be connected to SynchroNet® service when such connection is made in accordance with the provisions specified in 1., 2. and 3. following.

SynchroNet® service furnished by the Company to a customer may be connected at the premises of the customer to another SynchroNet® service furnished by the Company provided that such connections are made through the Service Terminating Arrangements of the SynchroNet® service by equipment furnished by the customer.

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

D. Connections (Cont'd)

The responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of service to that point on the customer's premises where provision is made for the connection of customer-provided equipment. The customer is responsible for testing that equipment or facilities to ensure proper operation while connected with SynchroNet® service, and further to ensure that the cause of any service difficulty reported by the customer to the Company results from the operation of equipment and facilities provided by the Company. (T)

The Customer shall be responsible for payment of a service charge, as set forth in Section B2. for:

- Visits by the Company to the premises of the customer where the service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of equipment or facilities provided by the customer.

1. Connection Of Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment And Customer-Provided Communications Systems.

a. Customer-provided terminal equipment, customer-provided communications systems may be connected at the premises of the customer, to SynchroNet® service. (T)

b. The customer, by use of its own derivation equipment, may create digital bit streams from SynchroNet® service and such equipment may be connected for transmission of such bit streams as specified following: (T)

(1) At the premises of the customer to Private Line Service and SynchroNet® service furnished under the rates and regulations of this Company's Tariff, and (T)

(2) At the premises of the customer to facilities of others referred to in a. preceding. (T)

c. The customer shall be responsible for providing the DTE and, if requested, notifying the Company of the type, for maintenance purposes.

2. Connection To Other Services Furnished By The Company To Different Customers

a. SynchroNet® service furnished by the Company to a customer may be connected at the premises of the customer to another SynchroNet® service or to other services furnished by the Company to different customers. (T)

3. Accessories

Accessories provided by customer may be used in conjunction with SynchroNet® service provided that such accessories comply with the provisions of D.4. following. (T)

4. Responsibility Of The Customer

a. Where SynchroNet® service is available under this Tariff for use in connection with terminal equipment or communications systems provided by a customer, the operating characteristics of such equipment or systems shall be such as not to interfere with any of the services offered by the Company. Such use is subject to the further provisions that the equipment provided by a customer does not endanger the safety of Company employees or the public; damage, require change in or alteration of the equipment or other facilities of the Company; interfere with the proper functioning of such equipment or facilities; impair the operation of the Company's facilities or otherwise injure the public in its use of the Company's services. Upon notice from the Company that the equipment provided by a customer is causing or is likely to cause such hazard or interference, the customer shall take such steps as shall be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard or interference. (T)

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

D. Connections (Cont'd)

4. Responsibility Of The Customer (Cont'd)

- b. When customer-provided equipment is connected to SynchroNet® service, the customer shall be responsible for:
- (1) Compatibility of the connected communications system to SynchroNet® service. This includes replacing the DTE due to technological changes in the network, and
 - (2) Testing and sectionalization and clearance of trouble conditions or service difficulties on any communications system which is connected to SynchroNet® service.
- c. The Digital Terminating Equipment (DTE) must be provided by the customer to connect a Company-provided digital facility. In accordance with Part 68 of the FCC's Rules and Regulations, new grandfathered DTEs may be connected, moved, and reconnected until June 30, 1987. After this date only registered and previously connected grandfathered DTEs may be connected to Company-provided digital facilities.

Grandfathered DTE equipment must comply with the requirements outlined in the Bell System Technical Reference Publication 62310, dated September, 1983. This publication is now available from Publishers' Data Center, Inc., P. O. Box C738, Pratt Street Station, Brooklyn, New York 11205. Registered technical requirements for DTEs are outlined in Part 68 of the FCC's Rules and Regulations. A copy may be obtained from the Federal Communications Commission, Room BB300, Washington, D. C. 20054.

- d. Customer provided terminal equipment for the data over voice channel must be compatible with the Company provided terminating equipment at the central office. Network interface specifications are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference Publication 73548. This publication is available from the Information Exchange Manager, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., Documentations Operations, North W5A1, 3535 Colonnade Parkway, Birmingham, Alabama 35243. (N)
5. Responsibility Of The Company
- a. The Company shall not be responsible for installation operation or maintenance of any terminal equipment or communications systems provided by a customer. SynchroNet® service is not represented as adapted to the use of such equipment or system and where such equipment or system is connected to Company facilities the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of facilities suitable for SynchroNet® service and to the maintenance and operation of such facilities in a manner proper for such digital service. Subject to this responsibility the Company shall not be responsible for:
- (1) The through transmission of signals generated by such equipment or system, or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission,
 - (2) The reception of signals by such equipment or systems, or
 - (3) Damage to terminal equipment or communications systems provided by a customer to an authorized user due to testing.
- b. The Company shall not be responsible to the customer, if changes in any of the facilities, operations or procedures of the Company utilized in the provision of SynchroNet® service render any facilities provided by a customer obsolete or require modification or alteration of such equipment or system or otherwise affect its use or performance.
- c. The Company undertakes to maintain and repair the facilities which it furnishes. The customer may not rearrange, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair any equipment installed by the Company without prior written consent of the Company.

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

D. Connections (Cont'd)

5. Responsibility Of The Company (Cont'd)

- d. The circuit design objective is to provide an average performance of at least 99.5 percent error-free-seconds of transmission when measured through the DTE. This objective does not apply when the data over voice channel option is used in a circuit design.
- e. The data over voice channel is provided subject to the availability of appropriate network facilities and equipment and subject to the transmission limitations of facilities and equipment used by the Company.

E. SynchroNet® service may be used for the transmission of communications of the customer, provided that:

- 1. SynchroNet® service shall not be used for an unlawful purpose, and
- 2. The customer, upon request, shall furnish such information as may be required to permit the Company to design and maintain the SynchroNet® service it offers and to assure that the service arrangement is in accordance with the tariff regulations contained herein.

F. Payment Arrangements

- 1. The minimum period for which service is furnished and for which charges are applicable is one month.
- 2. Suspension of service is not allowed.

G. Allowance for Interruptions

Allowance for interruptions will be in accordance with the provisions set forth in B2.4.8. One exception will be that no credit is allowed for interruptions to service of less than four hours.

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

H. Contract Plans

1. Contract plans are available under conditions specified in the Channel Services Payment Plan in B2.4 of this Tariff except as follows.
 - a. SynchroNet® service is offered under contract plan periods as described in (1) and (2) following.
 - (1) Twenty-four to forty-two month contract plan - payment periods may be selected from twenty-four to forty-two months.
 - (2) Forty-three to sixty month contract plan - payment periods may be selected from forty-three to sixty months.
 - b. SynchroNet® service rates under contract plans will not be increased by Company initiative until the contract period expires. Rates in effect at the time the service is installed and/or when the Company is notified in writing of the subscriber's choice of payment period options, will be applicable until the contract plan expires *except as specified in B2.4.9*. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment period option at the current rates or revert to current rates on a month-to-month basis. (C)
 - c. A Termination Liability Charge is applicable at the date of termination if the customer terminates or disconnects the service prior to fulfilling the period of the contract plan *except as specified in (2) following*. However, Termination Liability charges will not apply for customer requests for moves of service under CSPP subject to the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.A.12. of this Tariff. The Termination Liability Charge is determined by multiplying the contracted monthly rate times the number of months in the contract plan, less the contracted monthly rate times the number of months the service has been installed. An example is provided in (1) following. (C)
 - (1) A customer subscribes to SynchroNet® service using the twenty-four to forty-two month payment plan. The actual duration of the contract plan is for thirty months. The subscriber terminates the service after twelve months. The total liability charge is thirty months times the monthly rate. The amount is then reduced to reflect the number of months the subscriber has had the service, which in this example is twelve months. Therefore, the Termination Liability Charge is calculated as follows:
$$\text{Termination Liability Charge} = (30 \text{ months} \times \text{monthly rate}) - (12 \text{ months} \times \text{monthly rate})$$
 - (2) A Termination Liability Charge will not be applicable at the date of termination if the customer terminates or disconnects the service prior to fulfilling the period of the contract plan for customer requested changes to a higher order of service covered by the Channel Services Payment Plan as specified in B2.4.9.A.4.b, or customer requested changes to services not covered by the Channel Services Plan that are offered by the Company under a contract payment plan provided that the applicable conditions set forth in B2.4.9.A.4.b are satisfied. (N)

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.3 Rates and Charges

A. Service wholly within the same LATA

1. A Digital Local Channel is furnished between a Serving Wire Center and the customer's premises. The Digital Local Channel charges apply per local channel.

	Nonrecurring Charge		Month	24 to	43 to	USOC	
	First	Additional	to	42	60		
(a) 2.4 Kbps	\$340.00	\$105.00	\$55.00 ¹	\$49.00	\$47.00	1RSD2	(1)
(b) 4.8 Kbps	340.00	105.00	55.00 ¹	49.00	47.00	1RSD4	(1)
(c) 9.6 Kbps	340.00	105.00	55.00 ¹	49.00	47.00	1RSD9	(1)
(d) 19.2 Kbps	340.00	105.00	55.00 ¹	49.00	47.00	1RSD3	(1)
(e) 56.0 Kbps	340.00	105.00	75.00 ¹	65.00	60.00	1RSD5	(1)
(f) 64.0 Kbps	340.00	105.00	75.00 ¹	65.00	60.00	1RSD6	(1)

2. A Node Channel Termination is required at the Company's Node Central Office. Node Channel Termination per local channel or equivalent, each.

(a) 2.4 Kbps	37.00	32.00	13.00 ¹	9.75	9.50	2UN24	(1)
(b) 4.8 Kbps	37.00	32.00	13.00 ¹	9.75	9.50	2UN48	(1)
(c) 9.6 Kbps	37.00	32.00	13.00 ¹	9.75	9.50	2UN96	(1)
(d) 19.2 Kbps	37.00	32.00	13.00 ¹	9.75	9.50	2UN19	(1)
(e) 56.0 Kbps	37.00	32.00	35.00 ¹	28.00	26.00	2UN56	(1)
(f) 64.0 Kbps	37.00	32.00	35.00 ¹	28.00	26.00	2UN64	(1)

3. A Digital Interoffice Channel is furnished between a serving wire center and the Node Central Office or between Node Central Offices. Digital Interoffice mileage is portrayed in bands. The appropriate mileage band for calculating interoffice mileage rates is determined by the total length in miles of that interoffice channel. A fixed rate and a rate per mile apply to each band² for each Digital Interoffice Channel provided.

- a. Interoffice channel, each channel 0-8 miles

- (1) Fixed rates applicable

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month	24 to	43 to	USOC	
		to	42	60		
(a) 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 and 19.2 Kbps	\$76.00	\$24.00	\$19.50	\$19.00	3LBAA	(1)
(b) 56.0 and 64.0 Kbps	76.00	48.00	36.00	34.00	3LBAA	(1)

- (2) Each mile or fraction thereof

(a) 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 and 19.2 Kbps	-	2.45	1.90	1.75	3LBBA	(1)
(b) 56.0 and 64.0 Kbps	-	4.80	3.80	3.50	3LBBA	(1)

Note 1: New rates become effective with billing cycles beginning on or after July 13, 2002. (N)

Note 2: Refer to B3.3.3 for mileage measurement methodology.

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.3 Rates And Charges (Cont'd)

A. Service wholly within the same LATA (Cont'd)

3. (Cont'd)

b. Interoffice channel, each channel 9-25 miles

(1) Fixed rates applicable

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	24 to 42 Months	43 to 60 Months	USOC	
(a) 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 and 19.2 Kbps	\$76.00	\$24.00 ¹	\$19.50	\$19.00	3LBCA	(I)
(b) 56.0 and 64.0 Kbps	76.00	48.00 ¹	36.00	34.00	3LBCA	(I)
(2) Each mile or fraction thereof						
(a) 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 and 19.2 Kbps	-	2.40 ¹	1.85	1.70	3LBDA	(I)
(b) 56.0 and 64.0 Kbps	-	4.70 ¹	3.70	3.40	3LBDA	(I)
c. Interoffice channel, each channel over 25 miles						
(1) Fixed rates applicable						
(a) 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 and 19.2 Kbps	76.00	24.00 ¹	19.50	19.00	3LBEA	(I)
(b) 56.0 and 64.0 Kbps	76.00	48.00 ¹	36.00	34.00	3LBEA	(I)
(2) Each mile or fraction thereof						
(a) 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 and 19.2 Kbps	-	2.30 ¹	1.80	1.65	3LBFA	(I)
(b) 56.0 and 64.0 Kbps	-	4.60 ¹	3.60	3.30	3LBFA	(I)

B. Optional Features, Functions and Charges

1. Multipoint service, per local or interoffice channel bridged^{2,3,4}

(a) 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 and 19.2 Kbps	28.00	30.00 ¹	24.00	22.00	6BN	(I)
(b) 56.0 Kbps	28.00	30.00 ¹	24.00	22.00	6BN	(I)

2. Secondary Channel Capability, per local channel

(a) Each ^{2,3,4,5}	225.00	18.00 ¹	14.00	13.00	SFS	(I)
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3. Data Over Voice Channel, per local channel^{4,6,7}

(a) 9.6 Kbps	702.00	33.00	30.00	28.00	DDVJE	
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4. Speed Change Charge, per local channel

	Nonrecurring Charge	USOC
(a) Each ⁸	First \$300.00 Additional \$170.00	SCH

Note 1: New rates become effective with billing cycles beginning on or after July 13, 2002.

Note 2: This option may not be available where 56.0 Kbps repeaters are required for digital local channels.

Note 3: This option is not available with 64.0 Kbps.

Note 4: Not available at all service locations.

Note 5: Nonrecurring charge is applicable only if Secondary Channel service is being added subsequent to the installation of basic service.

Note 6: This option may be used in lieu of a 9.6 Kbps Digital Local Channel in B7.2.3.A. preceding. All other SynchroNet® service rate elements apply as appropriate.

Note 7: Secondary Channel Capability cannot be provided when this option is used.

Note 8: Speed Change Charge is applicable where circuit out of service activity is acceptable to customer.

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.4 Types Of Rates And Charges

A. The two types of rates and charges are monthly rates and nonrecurring charges and are described as follows:

1. Monthly Rates

Monthly rates are recurring charges that apply each month or fraction thereof that a service is provided. For billing purposes, each month is considered to have 30 days.

2. Nonrecurring Charges

Nonrecurring Charges are one-time charges that apply for a specific work activity. The three types of nonrecurring charges that apply are installation of service, installation of features and functions and service rearrangements.

a. Installation of Service

Nonrecurring charges apply for each service terminated at the customer's premises. For the installation of local channels when more than one of the same type of service, between the same locations, for the same customer is ordered and installed at the same time, one at each location is billed at the First Service Installed rate and the others are billed at the Additional Service Installed rate.

The nonrecurring charges for the Installation of Services are set forth in B7.2.3.A. and B. (T)

b. Nonrecurring charges apply for the installation of features and functions available with the various services. For some features and functions there is a lower charge if installed coincident with the service and a higher charge if installed subsequent to the service. Nonrecurring charges for Optional Features and Functions are set forth in B. preceding. (T)

c. Service Rearrangements

(1) Service rearrangements are changes to existing (installed) services which do not result in either a change in the minimum period requirements or a change in the physical location of the point of termination at a customer premises. Changes which result in the establishment of new minimum period obligations are treated as disconnects and starts. Changes in the physical location of the point of termination are treated as moves and are described and charged for as set forth in B7.2.5.B.1. (T)

The charge to the customer for the service rearrangement is dependent on whether the change is administrative only in nature or involves actual physical change to the service.

Administrative changes will be made without charge(s) to the customer. Such changes require the continued provision and billing of the Private Line Service to the same entity (i.e., customer remains responsible for all outstanding indebtedness for the service). Administrative changes are as follows:

- Change of customer name (i.e., the customer of record does not change but rather the customer of record changes name),
- Change of customer or customer's premises address when the change of address is not a result of a physical relocation of equipment.

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B7.2 SynchroNet® Service (Cont'd)

B7.2.4 Types Of Rates And Charges (Cont'd)

A. (Cont'd)

2. Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

c. Service Rearrangements (Cont'd)

(1) (Cont'd)

- Change in billing data (name, address or contact name or telephone number).
- Change of jurisdiction, e.g., intraLATA to intrastate, intrastate to interstate, etc. No Termination Liability Charges apply for service billed under the Channel Services Payment Plan (CSPP) if the customer subscribes to a payment arrangement offered in the appropriate tariff which is a minimum twenty-four month service period or equals/exceeds the remaining contract period, whichever is greater.

(2) All other service rearrangements will be charged for as follows:

- If the change involves the addition of other customer designated premises to an existing multipoint service, the nonrecurring charge for the local channel rate element(s) being added will apply. Nonrecurring charges for interoffice channel mileage may also apply.
- If the change involves the addition of other customer designated premises to an existing two-point service, resulting in a multipoint circuit configuration, the nonrecurring charge for the local channel rate element(s) being added will apply. Nonrecurring charges for interoffice channel mileage may also apply.
- If the change involves the disconnection of a customer designated premises from an existing multipoint circuit resulting in a two-point circuit configuration, no charge will apply.
- If the change involves the addition of an optional feature or function which has a separate nonrecurring charge, that nonrecurring charge will apply.
- ***The appropriate nonrecurring charge for customer requested changes of data transmission rate for an existing SynchroNet® service circuit shall be the Speed Change Charge provided in B7.2.3.B.4. This charge shall apply per local channel on each circuit where the speed is requested to be changed. The existing circuits will experience out of service time when the speed change work is conducted*** (C)
- Customer requests for changes of data transmission rate where out of service time cannot be tolerated will be considered as requests for new service and full nonrecurring charges shall apply. The customer shall specify the disconnect date for the circuits being replaced. (N)
- For rearrangements and all other activities involving physical changes to the service provided or the addition of optional features without separate nonrecurring charges, a charge equal to a local channel rate element nonrecurring charge will apply. Only one such charge will apply per service order, per change.
- For a change of customer of record, where no specific transfer of service charge is stated, and for all other activities involving no physical changes, the following charges will apply: (1) If the request is for multiple circuits of the same type or speed, a charge equal to one "First" Local Channel nonrecurring charge applies, (2) If the request is for only one circuit, a charge equal to one "Additional" Local Channel nonrecurring charge applies, (3) If the request is for multiple circuits of different types or speeds, charges will be applicable for each type of circuit according to the same guidelines in (1) and (2) preceding.

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.3 MegaLink® Channel Service

B7.3.1 General

- (C)
- A. MegaLink® channel service is an intraLATA digital service which provides channelization capability for the customer in the Company's central office. MegaLink® channel service is provided in packages based on multiple voice grade channel equivalents (DS0) where 24 voice grade channels are equal to a DS1. This service provides local channels and/or interoffice channels for network access, Foreign Exchange Service, Centrex Type Services station lines, off-premises stations, tie lines, WATS lines, analog data channels, *Broadband Exchange Lines* and digital data services (at 2.4 Kbps, 4.8 Kbps, 9.6 Kbps, 19.2 Kbps, 56 Kbps, 64 Kbps and 1.544 Mbps data rates).
 - B. Channelization is provided by D type channel banks which are offered in various basic system capacities and feature activation types. Individual channel services are made available by selecting the specific feature activation equipment desired in a basic system. The customer may channelize all or part of a MegaLink® channel service package to activate voice and data facilities for interconnection with the switched network, voice grade and data facilities for private line channels, as well as other MegaLink® channel services. The customer may also choose not to channelize all or part of a MegaLink® channel service package allowing direct connection to other DS1 services as provided in this Tariff or the General Subscriber Services Tariff (GSST).
 - C. This service is available within a LATA where appropriate digital facilities are available as determined by the Company. Service inquiries will be necessary to determine availability. Special Construction charges for MegaLink® service will apply as specified in B7.1 preceding.
 - D. Network access is provided for those customers subscribing to MegaLink® channel service. The charges in Section A3. of the General Subscriber Services Tariff are applicable only on those lines, trunks, or Network Access Registers (NAR) activated for local network access.
 - E. Individual channels within a MegaLink® channel service package may be connected with service offered in other sections of this Tariff and General Subscriber Services Tariff as appropriate. The regulations, rates and charges in this Tariff are applicable for the MegaLink® channel service component of the customer's end-to-end service. Single channel service components (non-MegaLink® channel service links) are subject to the regulations, rates and charges in their respective tariff sections.
 - F. The customer may activate any number or combination of channels within a MegaLink® channel service package within the limitations set forth in H. following. Channels may be activated coincident with initial service or at any time subsequent to basic system installation. Once activated, a channel is subject to a minimum service period in accordance with the contract terms. Features (channels) activated under month-to-month rates will have a minimum service period of one month.
 - G. The total number of voice grade equivalent channels activated by the customer may not exceed the capacity of the basic system. Additionally, there are some necessary restrictions in total system capacities where certain types of channel services are channelized. For example, some channelizing equipment for SynchroNet® service and Dataphone® Digital Service channels may require two voice grade equivalent channels per channel provided by the Company. This would reduce a system's stated capacity substantially. The Company will notify the customer when a system's capacity is affected.

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B7.3 MegaLink® Channel Service(Cont'd)

B7.3.1 General (Cont'd)

- H. Central Office channelization generally provides analog to digital conversion to permit individual exchange services and private line channel services to be transported over digital high capacity facilities. In addition, this equipment permits connection to required testing facilities at designated hub or node locations for some digital offerings, such as SynchroNet® service. This channelization is also intended for use at Company locations where different high capacity digital network links terminate in the same central office and must be converted to individual analog or digital channels before individual service links can be cross-connected. System capacities below are provided in groups of 24 voice grade equivalent channels, and are subject to the limits as set forth in G. preceding. (T)
- I. Channelization on a customer's premises is provided by the customer. Customer premises channelization equipment, and any other associated network termination equipment, is available through various vendors, including Company, on a detariffed basis. Joint provisioning of channelized services introduces joint responsibilities between the customer and the Company. (T)
1. Responsibilities of the Company:
 - a. The Company will endeavor to activate its portion of joint service in a timely manner on the negotiated date to support installation requirements.
 - b. The Company will provide the customer with information regarding the type and the manufacturer of Central Office (C.O.) channelization equipment to be used in each application.
 - c. The Company will limit its selection of central office equipment to avoid operational and administrative difficulties associated with a multi-vendor central office environment.
 - d. The Company reserves the right to change its equipment vendors should equipment availability, price or technological advantages make such a change attractive or necessary.
 - e. The Company will notify the customer, generally a minimum of six months in advance, of any need to change its central office equipment to allow the customer sufficient time to respond, make any necessary changes, and schedule cooperative testing for cutover if required.
 - f. Digital synchronization timing for MegaLink® channel service will be provided by the Company.
 2. Responsibilities of the Customer:
 - a. The customer must be prepared to activate his portion of joint service in a timely manner on the negotiated date, providing testing equipment and personnel to support installation requirements, as may be necessary.
 - b. The customer will be responsible for selecting his own equipment. Customer equipment must be compatible with the Company provided channelization at the central office.
 3. Trouble resolutions:

The Company will assist the customer in resolving any installation or day to day channel service problems. However, the Company does not assume responsibility for the compatibility or suitability of the customer's equipment. Dispatches to customer premises caused by customer equipment troubles will result in Trouble Determination Charges to the customer.

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B7.3 MegaLink® Channel Service (Cont'd)

B7.3.1 General (Cont'd)

- J. The technical specifications and standard network interfaces for DS1 and associated services are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference 73525. This publication is available from BellSouth Services, Documentation Operations, North W5A1, 3535 Colonnade Parkway, Birmingham, Alabama 35243. Channelized DS1 service is available only with D4 channel bank equipment or compatible, equivalent equipment.
- K. Emerging technology, such as low bit rate voice multiplexing techniques, may permit additional quantities of individual channels to be channelized on a single DS1 signal. Equipment providing this capability does not generally assure compatibility between different manufacturers. Some equipment may not be suitable for data transmission or tandem network line application. Rates, charges, and availability of this equipment will be negotiated with the customer on an individual case basis.

B7.3.2 Application Of Rates

- A. Monthly rates as specified in B7.3.4 following apply for each MegaLink® channel service according to the system capacity of voice grade equivalent channels in each package. These rates apply regardless of the number of voice grade circuit equivalents within each package that are actually activated by the customer at a point in time. In addition, rates and charges for associated MegaLink® service channels in B7.1 of this Tariff are applicable.
- B. Network Access Service is provided for channels within each MegaLink® channel service package at the monthly recurring rates and charges specified in B7.3.4 following and apply for each channel within a package that is activated for Network Access. In addition, all applicable regulations, rates, and charges specified in the General Subscriber Services Tariff will apply, unless otherwise stated herein.
- C. Rates and charges specified in other tariff sections for services such as Touch-Tone, Custom Calling Service, etc., are in addition to the monthly rate for MegaLink® channel services. Also, the rates and charges for other services that may be interconnected or extended beyond the basic MegaLink® channel service, such as off-premises stations, tie lines, Foreign Exchange Service, private lines, etc., are in addition to the rates specified in this Tariff for those portions of channel services necessary to provide end-to-end service. Rates and charges for single MegaLink® service channels used to connect MegaLink® channel services when used as part of the same communications system, will be as specified in B7.1 preceding.
- D. All usual and applicable Service Connection Charges and/or Nonrecurring Charges as specified in other tariffs apply to the activation, move or change of channel equivalents within MegaLink® channel service packages as well as for installation of the basic system. Suspension of service is not permitted with MegaLink® channel service.
- E. MegaLink® channel service systems *and feature activations* are available *on a month-to-month basis or* under variable rate periods, with rates based on lengths of 36 months, 60 months, or 84 months under conditions specified in B2.4 of this Tariff except as modified following. Contract rate increases are subject to the stipulations of F. following. All elements of a contract will expire at the same time (be coterminous).
 - 1. (DELETED) (C)
 - 2. (DELETED) (D)
 - 3. Individual network access service and private line channel services that are connected to MegaLink® channel service are not offered under MegaLink® channel service contract provisions. They are subject to their standard tariff provisions as appropriate. (D)
- F. MegaLink® channel service rates under contract will not be increased by Company initiative until the contract period expires. Those monthly rates for Basic System Capacity and Feature Activation in effect at the time the service is installed and /or as of the service order application date, will be applicable until the contract expires. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment option at current rates or revert to current rates on a month-to-month basis.

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B7.3 MegaLink® Channel Service(Cont'd)

B7.3.2 Application Of Rates (Cont'd)

G. A Termination Liability Charge is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the contract period subscribed to and will be equal to the number of months remaining in the contract times the monthly rate for the Basic System Capacity and Feature Activation which are provided under contract. This is subject to the exemptions of 1. and 2. following.

1. No Termination Liability Charge will be applicable for the Basic System capacity when the customer renegotiates a new contract for the same equipment or larger system at the same location(s) for a period of time greater than the time remaining on the existing contract, subject to contract periods contained in E. preceding.
2. The Termination Liability Charge basis for Feature Activation rates will be 50 percent of the total monthly rate for the activated features under contract which are being disconnected. All features activated under contract are coterminous with the basic system with which they are associated. Any features subscribed to on a month-to-month basis have a minimum service period of one month and no associated termination charge liability.
3. The Termination Liability charge for moves of MegaLink® channel service under CSPP from one location to a different location in Company territory within the same state, with the exception of inside moves, will not apply. Instead, the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.A.12. of this Tariff will apply. (C)

H. Transfer of service responsibility between customers is permitted subject to payment of a Transfer Charge as specified in B7.3.4.C.

B7.3.3 Digital Architecture And Definitions

A. Digital Architecture

MegaLink® channel service differs in provisioning method and numbering format from single channel services. These services will be available from the Company on a link (partial channel) basis rather than as an end-to-end service. This architecture is intended to promote more efficient connectivity of analog and digital networks in the future.

Both analog and digital channels are offered by the Company. Where traditional analog voice grade signals are provided to a customer at his premises, then comparable performance specifications to the Series 2100 (or 2000) Channel Services will be provided, as contained in this Tariff or the General Subscriber Services Tariff.

Many MegaLink® service channels will be available on a digital basis at the network interface on a customer's premises. Traditional analog services, like tie lines, off-premises stations, and PBX trunks can be provided on a digital basis to a customer's premises by the Company when a customer desires them encoded in a DS1 bit stream. Under those conditions, they will be provided as DS0 channels by the Company. Both the Company and the customer have joint responsibilities to ensure the proper transmission of the provided services. Normal analog channel network interface specifications will be superseded by the electrical specifications of the MegaLink® service channel which is actually terminated. Each DS0 channel provided will have identity only as a "time slot" within a DS1 channel. Compatible digital to analog conversion equipment must be provided by the customer to derive the desired analog services. Any Channel Service Units (CSUs) necessary for digital services are the responsibility of the customer.

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B7.3 MegaLink® Channel Service(Cont'd)

B7.3.3 Digital Architecture And Definitions (Cont'd)

B. Definitions

CHANNEL SERVICE UNIT (CSU)

The term CSU denotes network channel terminating equipment provided by the customer to terminate digital channel facilities on a customer's or user's premises.

D SO

The term DSO denotes a channel service expressed in terms of its digitally encoded data bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It is generally referred to as having a 64 Kbps transmission bit rate signal. The required format and interface specifications referenced in BellSouth Services Technical Reference 73525.

DS1

The term DS1 denotes a channel service expressed in terms of its digitally encoded bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It has a 1.544 Mbps transmission data rate, and provides for the two-way simultaneous transmission of isochronous timed, Bipolar Return-to-Zero (BPRZ) bit stream format, except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format. Unframed signal formats are not permitted or compatible with Company equipment. The required format and interface specifications are contained in BellSouth Services Technical Reference 73525.

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B7.3 MegaLink® Channel Service (Cont'd)

B7.3.4 Rates And Charges

A. Basic System Capacity

The rates for a basic system without activated features for voice or data grade service are as follows:

1. Central Office¹

		Month to Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC	
(a)	24 Voice Equivalent Channels	\$265.00	\$210.00	\$189.00	\$171.00	\$154.00	VUM24
(b)	48 Voice Equivalent Channels	315.00	410.00	369.00	333.00	300.00	VUM48
(c)	96 Voice Equivalent Channels	405.00	800.00	720.00	648.00	584.00	VUM96
(d)	144 Voice Equivalent Channels	495.00	1,038.00	935.00	842.00	758.00	VUM14
(e)	192 Voice Equivalent Channels	590.00	1,266.00	1,140.00	1,026.00	924.00	VUM19
(f)	240 Voice Equivalent Channels	680.00	1,482.00	1,334.00	1,197.00	1,078.00	VUM20
(g)	288 Voice Equivalent Channels	775.00	1,691.00	1,522.00	1,370.00	1,233.00	VUM28
(h)	384 Voice Equivalent Channels	960.00	2,061.00	1,855.00	1,670.00	1,503.00	VUM38
(i)	480 Voice Equivalent Channels	1,140.00	2,412.00	2,171.00	1,954.00	1,875.00	VUM40
(j)	576 Voice Equivalent Channels	1,330.00	2,752.00	2,477.00	2,350.00	2,275.00	VUM57
(k)	672 Voice Equivalent Channels	1,510.00	3,059.00	2,754.00	2,700.00	2,650.00	VUM67

Note 1: Contract lengths are flexible to allow customer choice of payment period per B2.4.9.

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B7.3 MegaLink® Channel Service(Cont'd)

B7.3.4 Rates And Charges(Cont'd)

- A. Basic System Capacity (Cont'd)
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B7.3 MegaLink® Channel Service (Cont'd)

B7.3.4 Rates And Charges (Cont'd)

B. Feature Activation

1. Central Office

a. Analog Voice Service

- (1) For Exchange Line, Foreign Exchange, Off Premises Station, WATS Line, Trunk, Centrex Type Services station line, or Voice Private Line use

	Nonrecurring Charge		Month to Month	24 to 96 Months Contract	USOC	
	First	Each Additional				
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	\$10.00	\$9.00	\$6.50	\$5.00	1PQW+	
(2) For Tie Line use						
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	10.00	9.00	10.00	8.00	1PQW+	
b. Analog Data Service						
(1) For data transmission use						
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	10.00	9.00	10.00	8.00	1PQW+	
c. Digital Data Service						
(1) For 2.4 Kbps, 4.8 Kbps, 9.6 Kbps, 19.2 Kbps, 56 Kbps, and 64 Kbps data rates						
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	10.00	9.00	13.00	11.00	1PQW+	(N)
d. Broadband Exchange Line Service						
(1) For 56 Kbps and 64 Kbps data rates						(N)
(a) Per feature activated ^{1,2,3}	10.00	7.50	10.00	8.00	1PQW+	(N)

Note 1: The first nonrecurring charge is applicable to the first channel activated of a particular type. It is also applicable to a first channel of that type which is installed at a later time.

Note 2: Each additional nonrecurring charge is applicable to each additional channel activated of the same type, and at the same time.

Note 3: Represents 1 (one) voice equivalent channel per feature activated.

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B7.3 MegaLink® Channel Service (Cont'd)

B7.3.4 Rates And Charges (Cont'd)

C. Transfer Charges

1. Transfer Between Customers

Nonrecurring Charge	USOC
\$352.00	NA

(a) Per transfer

D. Mileage Charges

Rates and charges for MegaLink® service and MegaLink® Plus service as contained in B7.1 and B7.9 of this Tariff are applicable. Generally, one 1.544 Mbps channel is required for each group of 24 voice equivalent channels provided. (C)

E. Automatic Protection Switching

Automatic Protection Switching for a MegaLink® service interface provides automatic DS1 channel switching to a backup DS1 channel upon primary facility failure. When provided via MegaLink® service, this feature requires purchase of an additional MegaLink® service channel from B7.1 of this Tariff for each backup channel required. Rates, charges and availability of this equipment will be negotiated with the customer on an individual case basis. This feature may not be available with lines utilizing the Clear Channel Capability line code (B8ZS). (C)

F. Switching Arrangements, multipoint/multistation Bridging and Data Conditioning rates.

Rates and charges are those that would be applicable to single channel services.

G. Signaling Arrangements

Rates and charges for single channels, as contained in A13.1 of the General Subscriber Services Tariff and Section B3. of this Tariff, are not applicable to local channel and interoffice link segments that are channelized under the MegaLink® channel services offering. However, rates and charges for automatic ringdown (20 Hz.) signalling, as contained in Section B4. of this Tariff, are applicable when this is desired by the customer.

H. Network Access Service

Applicable regulations and rates for access to the exchange network are in A3. of the General Subscriber Services Tariff.

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B7.4 LightGate® Service

B7.4.1 General

A. LightGate® service is an intraLATA fiber optic based, digital service which provides channelization capability for the customer in packages based on systems consisting of DS3, DS1, STS-1, OC-3, OC-12, OC-48 and OC-192 channels. It will provide local channels and/or interoffice channels in the following system sizes:

- Asynchronous - LightGate® 1
- Synchronous - STS-1, OC-3, OC-12, OC-48 and OC-192 LightGate® service

Asynchronous systems are capable of transporting DS1 and DS3 channels. Synchronous systems are capable of transporting all channels. The capacity of each LightGate® service System is shown in the following table:

<u>LightGate® System</u>	<u>DS1</u>	<u>DS3</u>	<u>STS-1</u>	<u>OC-3</u>	<u>OC-12</u>	<u>OC-48</u>
LightGate® 1	28	1				
LightGate® STS-1	28		1			
LightGate® OC-3	84	3	3	1		
LightGate® OC-12	336	12	12	4	1	
LightGate® OC-48	1344	48	48	16	4	1
LightGate® OC-192	5376	192	192	64	16	4

B. Channelization is provided by LightGate® service Systems which furnish fiber optic transport from the central office to a customer's premises. Channel interfaces are offered to provide individual DS1, DS3, STS-1, OC-3, OC-12, OC-48 and **1000 Mbps** channels. The customer may channelize all or part of a LightGate® service package to activate data facilities for interconnection with the switched network, voice grade and data facilities for private line channels, as well as other LightGate® services. The customer may also choose not to channelize all or part of a LightGate® service package allowing direct connection to other LightGate® services, DS3 or DS1 services as provided in the Private Line Services Tariff or the General Subscriber Services Tariff. (OC-12, OC-48 and OC-192 LightGate® service local channel systems and OC-192 interoffice channel systems are only available as channelized.)

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B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.1 General (Cont'd)

C. Channel interface availability varies with system size and transport architecture (asynchronous vs. synchronous). The following table lists the channel interfaces available with each LightGate® service System.

Local Channel Systems:

	Asynchronous		Synchronous				
	LG1	STS-1	OC-3	OC-12	OC-48	OC-192	
Customer Channel Interfaces							
DS1	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes ¹	Yes ¹	(C)
DS3	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ¹	(C)
DS3 Asymmetrical with DS1	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	
STS-1	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	(C)
OC-3	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
OC-12	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	
OC-48	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	
1000 Mbps	No	No	No	No	Yes ²	Yes ²	(N)
Central Office Channel Interfaces							
DS1	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes ¹	Yes ¹	(C)
DS3	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ¹	(C)
DS3 Asymmetrical with DS1	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	
STS-1	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	(C)
OC-3	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
OC-12	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	
OC-48	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	
28 DS1 Channel System	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	(C)
STS-1 Channel System	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	(C)
OC-3 Channel System	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	
OC-12 Channel System	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	
OC-48 Channel System	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	
1000 Mbps	No	No	No	No	Yes ²	Yes ²	(N)

Note 1: Available only for systems installed on or after November 28, 2003. The maximum number of DS1 Circuits available in a system is 96. (N)

Note 2: Available only for systems installed on or after November 28, 2003 that do not contain a Optical Customer Termination or a Optical Serving Wire Center Termination. 1000 Mbps transport channel interfaces do not contain any monitoring capability above the physical layer. (N)

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B7.4.1 General (Cont'd)

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Interoffice Channel Systems:

	Asynchronous		Synchronous				
	LG1	STS-1	OC-3	OC-12	OC-48	OC-192	
Central Office Channel Interfaces							(M)
DS1	No	No	No	No	No	No	(M)
DS3	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	<i>Yes</i> ¹	(C)(M)
STS-1	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	<i>Yes</i> ¹	(C)(M)
OC-3	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	(M)
OC-12	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	(M)
OC-48	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	(M)
28 DS1 Channel System	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	<i>Yes</i> ¹	(C)(M)
STS-1 Channel System	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	<i>Yes</i> ¹	(C)(M)
OC-3 Channel System	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	(M)
OC-12 Channel System	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	(M)
OC-48 Channel System	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	(M)
1000 Mbps	No	No	No	No	Yes ²	Yes ²	(N)

Note 1: Available only for systems installed on or after November 28, 2003. The maximum number of DS1 Circuits available in a system is 96. (N)

Note 2: Available only for systems installed on or after November 28, 2003 that do not contain a Optical Customer Termination or a Optical Serving Wire Center Termination. 1000 Mbps transport channel interfaces do not contain any monitoring capability above the physical layer. (N)

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B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.1 General (Cont'd)

- D. OC-3, OC-12 and OC-48 LightGate® service local channel systems may have an optical physical interface at either the serving wire center or the customer termination location. Where a customer elects to order a LightGate® service local channel system with optical termination at the customer's location, the customer's termination equipment must be compatible with Company equipment in the serving wire center. Customers are also required to utilize compatible channel interface combinations to function with Company provided central office channel interfaces. The Company reserves the right to determine the equipment it employs for service. (N)
- E. This service is available within a LATA from wire centers where appropriate digital facilities are available as determined by the Company. Service inquiries will be necessary to determine availability. (T)
- F. (DELETED)
- G. All LightGate® services in a customer's package must be channelized in a single equipment location on a customer's premises, i.e., a package cannot be split between premises, or multiple locations within a premises. Standard network interfaces will be provided by the Company for digital services consistent with existing practices for single channel services. (C)
- H. Individual channels within a LightGate® service package may be connected with service offered in other sections of the Private Line Services Tariff and the General Subscriber Services Tariff as appropriate. The regulations, rates and charges in this Tariff are applicable for the LightGate® service component of the customer's end-to-end service. Single channel service components (non-LightGate® service links) are subject to the regulations, rates and charges in their respective tariff sections. (T)
- I. The customer may activate any number or combination of channels within a LightGate® service package within the *capacity limits of the Basic System*. Channels may be activated coincident with initial service or at any time subsequent to basic system installation. Once activated, a channel is subject to a minimum service period in accordance with the contract terms. Features (channels) activated under month-to-month rates will have a minimum service period of one month. (C)
- J. (DELETED) (T)(D)
- K. (DELETED) (T)(D)
- L. (DELETED) (T)(D)
- M. Two additional levels of reliability are offered as options of basic LightGate® service. These service levels provide guaranteed Separate Alternate Facilities Transport (SAFT Levels I & II) for improved protection of local channel systems extended from the first outside plant service access point outside the Company's serving wire center to the last outside plant service access point prior to entering a customer's premises. (N)
- SAFT Level I – Service protection facilities will be guaranteed to be provided in a separate sheath, i.e., cable, from the primary facilities. (N)
- SAFT Level II – Service protection facilities will be guaranteed to be provided in a separate sheath, i.e., cable, separate supporting structure and route from the primary facilities. Intermediate equipment, if required, will be configured to prevent a single service interruption point. If existing facilities are not available, special construction charges may apply. (N)
- N. LightGate® service interoffice channel systems are intended to extend LightGate® service local channels to other central offices. In addition these channels, may be provided on a stand-alone basis when used in a "link" arrangement with other services in this Tariff and the General Subscriber Services Tariff. (N)
- O. The level of automatic protection switching capability varies for LightGate® service asynchronous and synchronous channels. For asynchronous channels, automatic protection switching capability is a standard service feature that automatically switches customer service to protection facilities upon primary facility failure. Card protection (1+n) is provided for DS1, DS3 and STS-1 channel interfaces as a standard feature. For synchronous channels, automatic protection switching capability is provided via the synchronous customer or central office channel 4-fiber interfaces. These 4-fiber interfaces provide 1+1 optical card protection of the interface. The specifications for these interfaces are contained in BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. Technical Reference #73501. (N)
- P. The termination of channelization equipment will be in a single equipment location on a customer's premises. The customer must provide suitable floor space, controlled environment, and a source of non-switched 120 volt, 60 Hz ac power to support this service. (C)

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B7.4 LightGate[®] Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.1 General (Cont'd)

- Q. Channelization of DS3 (electrical) data rates on a customer's premises may also be provided by the customer. Joint provisioning of channelized services introduces joint responsibilities between the customer and the Company. (T)(M)
1. Responsibilities of the Company:
 - a. The Company will endeavor to activate its portion of joint service in a timely manner on the negotiated date to support installation requirements.
 - b. The Company will provide the customer with information regarding the type and the manufacturer of central office channelization equipment to be used in each application.
 - c. The Company will limit its selection of central office equipment to avoid operational and administrative difficulties associated with a multi-vendor central office environment.
 - d. The Company reserves the right to change its equipment vendors should equipment availability, price or technological advantages make such a change attractive or necessary.
 - e. The Company will notify the customer, generally a minimum of six months in advance, of any need to change its central office equipment to allow the customer sufficient time to respond, make any necessary changes, and schedule cooperative testing for cutover if required.
 - f. Digital synchronization timing for LightGate services will be provided by the Company.
 2. Responsibilities of the Customer:
 - a. The customer must be prepared to activate his portion of joint service in a timely manner on the negotiated date, providing testing equipment and personnel to support installation requirements, as may be necessary.
 - b. The customer will be responsible for selecting his own equipment. Customer equipment must be compatible with the Company provided channelization at the central office.
 - c. The customer must provide suitable power for his own equipment. Simplex powering will not be provided by the Company for a customer's Channel Service Units due to the serving arrangements associated with fiber optic facilities.
 3. Trouble resolutions:

The Company will assist the customer in resolving any installation or day to day channel service problems. However, the Company does not assume responsibility for the compatibility or suitability of the customer's equipment. Dispatches to customer premises caused by customer equipment troubles will result in a Trouble Determination Charge to the customer, as provided in this Tariff.
- R. The technical specifications and standard network interfaces for *LightGate[®] service*, DS1, and associated channelization are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference #73501. This publication is available from BellSouth *Telecommunications, Inc.*, Documentation Operations, North W5A1, 3535 Colonnade Parkway, Birmingham, Alabama 35243. Channelized DS1 service is available only with D4 channel bank equipment or compatible equivalent equipment. (C)
- S. **(DELETED)** (T)(D)

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.2 Application Of Rates

- A. Monthly rates and charges as specified in B7.4.5 following apply for each LightGate® service. These rates apply regardless of the number of circuit equivalents within each package that are actually activated by the customer at a point in time. (C)
1. Local channel systems furnished between a Serving Wire Center and the customer's premises are distance sensitive. Local channel systems include the transport common equipment, and first half air-mile of local channel facilities at rates specified in B7.4.5.A. following. Rates for additional lengths of local channel facilities are as specified in B7.4.5.B. following. (N)
 2. Separate Alternate Facility Transport (SAFT) options for LightGate® service local channels are offered at the rates specified in B7.4.5.C. following. These rates are in addition to local channel system rates. (N)
 3. Interoffice channel system mileage rates and charges are as specified in B7.4.5.D. following. (N)
- B. (DELETED) (D)
- C. (DELETED) (D)
- D. All usual and applicable Installation Charges and/or Nonrecurring Charges as specified in other tariffs apply to the activation, move or change of channel equivalents within LightGate® service packages as well as for installation of the basic system. Suspension of service is not permitted with LightGate® service.
- E. Channel interfaces are required for LightGate® service based upon the following guidelines: (N)
1. Channel interfaces are required at both the customer's location and the serving wire center for LightGate® service local channel systems and at both termination points of a LightGate® service interoffice channel, except as specified in 2. following. (N)
 2. A LightGate® service central office channel interface is not required for a synchronous LightGate® service local channel system with optical termination in the serving wire center. A LightGate® service local channel system with optical termination in the serving wire center may connect in one of the following ways: (N)
 - to another LightGate® service local channel or interoffice channel at the compatible optical level, (N)
 - to a SMARTRing® service channel interface (CI) at the compatible optical level, or (N)
 - to a compatible optical level channel interface from a higher level LightGate® service local channel or interoffice channel. (N)
 3. LightGate® service channel interfaces are only offered in conjunction with a LightGate® service System. (N)
 4. Company provided DS1 customer channel interfaces are offered only with LightGate® 1, LightGate® STS-1 and LightGate® OC-3 Basic Systems. (N)
 5. OC-12 and OC-48 LightGate® service local channel systems require a 28 DS1, STS-1, or OC-3 channel system in addition to DS1 channel interfaces in the central office to derive DS1 channels in the serving wire center. OC-192 LightGate® service local channel systems require an OC-3 channel system in addition to DS1 channel interfaces to terminate DS1 channels in the serving wire center. (N)
 6. OC-192 LightGate® service local channel systems require an OC-3, OC-12 or OC-48 channel system in addition to DS3 or STS-1 channel interfaces to terminate DS3 or STS-1 channels in the serving wire center. (N)
 7. OC-3 LightGate® service local channel systems which require a DS3 termination at one location and DS1 terminations at the other, have the following options available: (N)
 - A DS3 channel interface at the customer location and a 28 DS1 channel system in addition to DS1 channel interfaces at the serving wire center, or (N)
 - A DS3 (asymmetrical with DS1) interface at one termination point and DS1 channel interfaces at the other termination point. (N)

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B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.2 Application Of Rates (Cont'd)

E. (Cont'd)

8. For LightGate® service Interoffice Channel Systems the following is applicable: (N)
- A 28 DS1 channel system in addition to DS1 channel interfaces provide DS1 channel termination capability with LightGate® 1 service. (N)
 - An STS-1 channel system in addition to DS1 channel interfaces provide DS1 channel termination capability with STS-1 LightGate® service. (N)
 - An OC-3 channel system in addition to DS1 channel interfaces provide DS1 channel termination capability with OC-3, OC-12, OC-48 and OC-192 LightGate® service. OC-3, OC-12 or OC-48 channel systems in addition to DS3 or STS-1 channel interfaces provide DS3 or STS-1 channel termination capability with LightGate® OC-192 Interoffice Channel Systems. (N)
9. A channel system in addition to the lower level interfaces replaces the requirement for the higher level interface. For example, an OC-3 central office interface would be replaced with an OC-3 channel system and DS1 central office interfaces. (N)
- F. LightGate® service local channel mileage and Separate Alternate Facilities Transport mileage rates are distance sensitive. They are measured per half airline mile or fraction thereof from the customer's designated premises to the Serving Wire Center. Mileage is computed by using methodology and Vertical (V) and Horizontal (H) coordinates contained in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. No. 4. Fractional mileage shall be rounded up to the next half mile. (N)
- G. Interoffice Channels furnished between Central Offices will be charged at rates based on airline distance between the Central Offices. Mileage is shown in B7.4.5.D following in terms of mileage bands. To determine the rate to be billed, first compute the mileage using methodology and Vertical (V) and Horizontal (H) coordinates contained in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. No. 4. Next find the band into which the computed mileage falls and apply the rates shown for that band. Fractional mileage shall be rounded up to the next full mile. (N)
- H. LightGate® service OC-3, OC-12 or OC-48 channel interfaces are associated with optical circuits within a LightGate® service System. These optical circuits may be provisioned as concatenated. When an optical circuit is provisioned as concatenated, the multiple STS-1s within the optical circuit are provided as a single entity with a single overhead channel. When an optical circuit is provisioned as concatenated at the time the circuit is installed, there is no additional charge for provisioning it as concatenated. When an existing non-concatenated optical circuit is requested to be reconfigured as concatenated, a concatenation rearrangement charge shall apply. This rearrangement charge shall also apply when a request is made to convert an existing concatenated circuit to non-concatenated. This rearrangement charge is specified in B7.4.5.E following and is applied on a per circuit basis. (N)
- I. Customers may request a C-Bit Parity framing format for a DS3 level circuit. If the request is made at the time the circuit is installed, there is no additional charge. When a request for C-Bit Parity framing format is made for an existing circuit, a nonrecurring charge will be applicable for rearranging the framing format on the circuit. This charge will also be applicable if a customer requests that the C-Bit Parity framing format be removed from a circuit. This charge is specified in B7.4.5.F. following and is applied on a per circuit basis. (N)
- J. LightGate® service Systems are available under contract only for variable rate periods, with rates based on lengths of 24 to 48 months, 49 to 72 months, or 73 to 96 months under conditions specified in B2.4 except as modified following. Contract rate increases are subject to the stipulations of K. following. All elements of a contract will expire at the same time (be coterminous). (C)(M)
- 1. LightGate® service Systems are available only under contract as specified preceding. *Month to month rates are only available at the end of a contract rate period. Central office and customer channel interfaces are available on a month to month basis or under contract.* (C)(M)
 - 2. All rate elements associated with a LightGate® service local channel or interoffice channel must be provided under the same payment plan; provided however, that channel interfaces may be activated on month-to-month rates or a shorter payment period if desired. (N)
 - 3. Channelized DS1/1.544 Mbps channels and Sub-DS1 Feature Activations are available under terms contained in the *MegaLink® channel service Tariff.* (C)(M)
 - 4. (DELETED) (T)(D)

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B7.4.2 Application Of Rates (Cont'd)

- K. LightGate® service rates under contract will not be increased by Company initiative until the contract period expires. Those monthly rates for LightGate® service in effect at the time the service is installed and/or as of the service order application date will be applicable until the contract expires. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment period option at current contract rates or revert to current rates on a month-to-month basis. (C)(M)
- L. A Termination Liability Charge is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the contract period subscribed to and will be equal to the number of months remaining in the contract times the monthly rates for the LightGate® service *rates* which are provided under contract, and are subject to the exemptions of 1. following. (C)(M)
1. No Termination Liability Charge will be applicable for the LightGate® service System when the customer renegotiates a new contract for the same system at the same location(s) for a period of time greater than the time remaining on the existing contract, subject to contract periods contained in *J.* preceding. (C)(M)
 2. **(DELETED)** (D)
- M. Transfer of service responsibility between customers is permitted subject to payment of a Transfer Charge as *determined on an individual case basis.* (C)

B7.4.3 Digital Architecture And Definitions

A. Digital Architecture

1. LightGate® services differ in provisioning method and numbering format from single channel services. These services will be available from the Company on a link (partial channel) basis rather than as an end-to-end service. This architecture is intended to promote more efficient connectivity of analog and digital networks in the future. (D)
(DELETED)
Many LightGate® service channels will be available on a digital basis at the network interface on a customer's premises. Traditional analog services, like tie lines, off-premises stations, and PBX trunks can be provided on a digital basis to a customer's premises by the Company when a customer desires them encoded in a DS1 bit stream. Under those conditions, they will be provided as DS0 channels by the Company. Both the Company and the customer have joint responsibilities to ensure the proper transmission of the provided services. Normal analog channel network interface specifications will be superseded by the electrical specifications of the 1.544 Mbps. (DS1) channel which is actually terminated. Each DS0 channel provided will have identity only as a "time slot" within a DS1 channel. Compatible digital to analog conversion equipment must be provided by the customer to derive the desired analog services. Any Channel Service Units necessary for digital services are the responsibility of the customer. (D)
2. **(DELETED)** (D)

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B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.3 Digital Architecture And Definitions (Cont'd)

B. Definitions

CHANNEL SERVICE UNIT

The term Channel Service Unit denotes network channel terminating equipment provided by the customer to terminate digital channel facilities on a customer's or user's premises.

DS0

The term DS0 denotes a channel service expressed in terms of its digitally encoded data bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It is generally referred to as having a 64 Kbps. transmission bit rate signal. The required format and interface specifications are referenced in BellSouth Technical Reference #73501.

DS1

The term DS1 denotes a channel service expressed in terms of its digitally encoded bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It has a 1.544 Mbps. transmission data rate and provides for the two-way simultaneous transmission of isochronous timed, Bipolar Return-to-Zero bit stream format, except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format. Unframed signal formats are not permitted or compatible with Company equipment. The required format and interface specifications are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference #73501.

DS3

The term DS3 denotes a channel service expressed in terms of its digitally encoded bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It has a 44.736 Mbps. transmission data rate and provides for two-way simultaneous transmission of randomized Non-Return-to-Zero signals with a B3ZS format. The required format and interface specifications are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference #73501.

LIGHTGATE® SERVICE 1

The term LightGate® 1 service denotes a service which provides extended service capability of DS3 data rates to the customer or multiplexed DS1 and DS0 channels based upon configurations desired. Appropriate electrical signals will be provided in accordance with the specifications of BellSouth Technical Reference #73501. The total capacity to be provided is a single 44.736 Mbps. transmission rate. This offering is intended to be a flexible, link connectable transport service for large customers with the capability of connecting with individual exchange and private line services, MegaLink® channel service, SMARTRing® service, and/or other LightGate® services.

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SYNCHRONOUS LIGHTGATE® SERVICES

LightGate® service is available in the following synchronous systems: STS-1, OC-3, OC-12, OC-48 and OC-192. These offerings are intended to be a very flexible, link connectable transport service for the very large customer. They have the capability of connecting with individual exchange and private line services, MegaLink® channel service, SMARTRing® service and/or other LightGate® services. Appropriate electrical and optical signals will be provided in accordance with the specifications of BellSouth Technical Reference #73501.

SYNCHRONOUS OPTICAL NETWORK (SONET)

SONET defines a progressive hierarchy of optical signal and line rates. The basic building block is the STS-1 (Synchronous Transport Signal at level 1), operating at 51.840 Mbps. All higher rate signals (STS-N) are multiples of the basic STS-1 signal rate. The optical counterpart of a STS-N is the OC-N, operating at the same rate as the corresponding STS-N. The required format and interface specifications are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference #73501.

B7.4.4 Rates and Charges (Obsolated. See Section B107.)

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B7.4.5 Rates and Charges

A. LightGate® service Local Channel Systems

The Basic System includes photonic common equipment and first one-half air mile of local channel fiber optic facilities.

1. LightGate® 1 Basic System¹

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC
(a) Per System	\$300.00	\$2,070.00	\$1,590.00	\$1,440.00	\$1,290.00	HFSOC
2. LightGate® STS-1 Basic System ¹						
(a) Per System	700.00	2,070.00	1,590.00	1,440.00	1,290.00	HFS11
3. LightGate® OC-3 Basic System ¹						
(a) Per System	700.00	3,700.00	3,100.00	2,800.00	2,500.00	HFSO3
(b) Per System with Optical Customer Termination	700.00	2,432.00	1,968.00	1,776.00	1,584.00	HFSOC
(c) Per System with Optical Serving Wire Center Termination	700.00	2,432.00	1,968.00	1,776.00	1,584.00	HFSOW
4. LightGate® OC-12 Basic System ¹						
(a) Per System	700.00	5,500.00	5,100.00	4,600.00	4,150.00	HFS12
(b) Per System with Optical Customer Termination	700.00	3,840.00	3,504.00	3,200.00	2,880.00	HFS1C
(c) Per System with Optical Serving Wire Center Termination	700.00	3,840.00	3,504.00	3,200.00	2,880.00	HFS1W
5. LightGate® OC-48 Basic System ¹						
(a) Per System	700.00	13,000.00	11,000.00	10,000.00	9,000.00	HFS48
(b) Per System with Optical Customer Termination	700.00	8,000.00	7,040.00	6,400.00	5,760.00	HFS4C
(c) Per System with Optical Serving Wire Center Termination	700.00	8,000.00	7,040.00	6,400.00	5,760.00	HFS4W
6. LightGate® OC-192 Basic System ¹						
(a) Per System	700.00	26,000.00	20,000.00	18,000.00	16,000.00	HFS22 (R)

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B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

A. LightGate® service Local Channel Systems (Cont'd)

The Basic System includes photonic common equipment and first one-half air mile of local channel fiber optic facilities.

7. Central Office Channel Interfaces

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC
(a) Per DS1	\$125.00	\$24.00	\$20.00	\$17.00	\$16.00	1PQE8
(b) Per DS3	125.00	115.00	95.00	90.00	85.00	1PQE3
(c) Per DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1 on OC-3 Local Channel System)	290.00	500.00	390.00	365.00	350.00	1PQEG
(d) Per STS-1	125.00	175.00	140.00	130.00	120.00	1PQE4
(e) Per OC-3 (2 Fiber)	200.00	240.00	190.00	175.00	160.00	1PQE5
(f) Per OC-3 (4 Fiber)	200.00	425.00	330.00	300.00	270.00	1PQE6
(g) Per OC-12 (2 Fiber)	360.00	640.00	495.00	450.00	405.00	1PQEE
(h) Per OC-12 (4 Fiber)	400.00	1,280.00	990.00	900.00	810.00	1PQED
(i) Per OC-48 (2 Fiber)	500.00	1,600.00	1,325.00	1,215.00	1,050.00	1PQEO
(j) Per OC-48 (4 Fiber)	500.00	3,200.00	2,650.00	2,430.00	2,100.00	1PQEF
(k) Per 28 DS1 Channel System	125.00	600.00	490.00	465.00	450.00	MQ3CO
(l) Per DS1 on 28 DS1 Channel System	125.00	15.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	1PQEA
(m) Per STS-1 Channel System	125.00	600.00	490.00	465.00	450.00	1PQE7
(n) Per OC-3 Channel System	125.00	1,325.00	1,100.00	1,000.00	900.00	1PQE9
(o) Per OC-12 Channel System	125.00	2,650.00	2,200.00	2,000.00	1,800.00	1PQ12
(p) Per OC-48 Channel System	125.00	5,490.00	4,410.00	4,050.00	3,510.00	1PQ48
(q) Per 1000 Mbps ¹	400.00	740.00	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQEK (N)

8. Customer Channel Interfaces

(a) Per DS1	170.00	24.00	20.00	17.00	16.00	1PQF1
(b) Per DS3	125.00	115.00	95.00	90.00	85.00	1PQF3
(c) Per DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1 on OC-3 Local Channel System)	280.00	500.00	390.00	365.00	350.00	1PQFG
(d) Per STS-1	125.00	240.00	195.00	185.00	175.00	1PQF4
(e) Per OC-3 (2 Fiber)	125.00	240.00	190.00	175.00	160.00	1PQF5
(f) Per OC-3 (4 Fiber)	125.00	475.00	380.00	350.00	320.00	1PQF6
(g) Per OC-12 (2 Fiber)	275.00	715.00	570.00	525.00	480.00	1PQF8
(h) Per OC-12 (4 Fiber)	275.00	1,430.00	1,140.00	1,050.00	960.00	1PQF7
(i) Per OC-48 (2 Fiber)	300.00	1,600.00	1,325.00	1,215.00	1,050.00	1PQF2
(j) Per OC-48 (4 Fiber)	300.00	3,200.00	2,650.00	2,430.00	2,100.00	1PQFO
(k) Per 1000 Mbps ¹	400.00	740.00	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQFK (N)

B. LightGate® service Local Channel Mileage²

1. Mileage for all LightGate® service Local Channel Systems

(a) First one-half mile (included in system charge)	-	-	-	-	-	NA
(b) Each additional one-half mile	NA	225.00	190.00	170.00	150.00	1LPEA

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B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

C. Separate Alternate Facility Transport (SAFT)¹

1. SAFT Level I

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC	
(a) Per System	\$770.00					1L8EA	(N)
(b) Per one-half air mile		\$175.00	\$145.00	\$120.00	\$110.00	1L8SA	(N)

2. SAFT Level II

(a) Per System	770.00	-	-	-	-	1L8EP	(N)
(b) Per one-half air mile	-	2,000.00	1,000.00	800.00	650.00	1L8SP	(N)

D. Interoffice Channels (These channels are furnished between central offices. Rates are based upon airline distance between central offices.)

1. LightGate® 1 service¹

a. Per DS3

(1) 0-8 miles

(a) Fixed	190.00	1,430.00	975.00	775.00	625.00	1LPS8	(N)
(b) Per Mile	-	130.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE8	(N)

(2) 9-25 miles

(a) Fixed	190.00	1,600.00	1,125.00	925.00	775.00	1LPS9	(N)
(b) Per Mile	-	130.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE9	(N)

(3) Over 25 miles

(a) Fixed	190.00	1,870.00	1,325.00	1,125.00	925.00	1LPS6	(N)
(b) Per Mile	-	130.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE6	(N)

2. LightGate® STS-1 service¹

a. Per STS-1

(1) 0-8 miles

(a) Fixed	190.00	1,430.00	975.00	775.00	625.00	1LPS8	(N)
(b) Per Mile	-	130.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE8	(N)

(2) 9-25 miles

(a) Fixed	190.00	1,600.00	1,125.00	925.00	775.00	1LPS9	(N)
(b) Per Mile	-	130.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE9	(N)

(3) Over 25 miles

(a) Fixed	190.00	1,870.00	1,325.00	1,125.00	925.00	1LPS6	(N)
(b) Per Mile	-	130.00	70.00	60.00	50.00	1LPE6	(N)

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B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

D. Interoffice Channels (Cont'd) (These channels are furnished between central offices. Rates are based upon airline distance between central offices.)

3. LightGate® OC-3 service¹

a. Per OC-3

(1) 0-8 miles

(a) Fixed
 (b) Per Mile
 (2) 9-25 miles

(a) Fixed
 (b) Per Mile
 (3) Over 25 miles

(a) Fixed
 (b) Per Mile

4. LightGate® OC-12 service¹

a. Per OC-12

(1) 0-8 miles

(a) Fixed
 (b) Per Mile
 (2) 9-25 miles

(a) Fixed
 (b) Per Mile
 (3) Over 25 miles

(a) Fixed
 (b) Per Mile

5. LightGate® OC-48 service¹

a. Per OC-48

(1) 0-8 miles

(a) Fixed
 (b) Per Mile
 (2) 9-25 miles

(a) Fixed
 (b) Per Mile
 (3) Over 25 miles

(a) Fixed
 (b) Per Mile

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC
(a) Fixed	\$190.00	\$2,100.00	\$1,550.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,100.00	1LPS8
(b) Per Mile	-	225.00	155.00	140.00	125.00	1LPE8
(a) Fixed	190.00	2,700.00	2,300.00	2,150.00	2,050.00	1LPS9
(b) Per Mile	-	225.00	155.00	140.00	125.00	1LPE9
(a) Fixed	190.00	3,700.00	3,250.00	3,000.00	2,800.00	1LPS6
(b) Per Mile	-	225.00	155.00	140.00	125.00	1LPE6
(a) Fixed	190.00	4,700.00	4,000.00	3,700.00	3,400.00	1LPS8
(b) Per Mile	-	400.00	320.00	290.00	260.00	1LPE8
(a) Fixed	190.00	5,500.00	4,800.00	4,500.00	4,200.00	1LPS9
(b) Per Mile	-	400.00	320.00	290.00	260.00	1LPE9
(a) Fixed	190.00	7,700.00	7,000.00	6,900.00	6,500.00	1LPS6
(b) Per Mile	-	400.00	320.00	290.00	260.00	1LPE6
(a) Fixed	190.00	7,800.00	6,500.00	5,800.00	5,200.00	1LPS8
(b) Per Mile	-	600.00	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE8
(a) Fixed	190.00	8,700.00	7,300.00	6,700.00	6,100.00	1LPS9
(b) Per Mile	-	600.00	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE9
(a) Fixed	190.00	10,000.00	8,600.00	7,900.00	7,100.00	1LPS6
(b) Per Mile	-	600.00	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE6

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B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

D. Interoffice Channels (Cont'd) (These channels are furnished between central offices. Rates are based upon airline distance between central offices.)

6. LightGate® OC-192 service¹

a. Per OC-192

(1) 0-8 miles

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC	
(a) Fixed	\$190.00	\$19,000.00	\$15,500.00	\$13,800.00	\$12,500.00	1LPS8	(R)
(b) Per Mile	-	600.00	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE8	
(2) 9-25 miles							
(a) Fixed	190.00	19,900.00	15,900.00	14,200.00	12,700.00	1LPS9	(R)
(b) Per Mile	-	600.00	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE9	
(3) Over 25 miles							
(a) Fixed	190.00	22,000.00	17,700.00	15,800.00	14,100.00	1LPS6	(R)
(b) Per Mile	-	600.00	500.00	450.00	400.00	1LPE6	

7. Central Office Channel Interfaces

(a) Per DS1	125.00	24.00	20.00	17.00	16.00	1PQE8	
(b) Per DS3	125.00	115.00	95.00	90.00	85.00	1PQE3	
(c) Per STS-1	125.00	175.00	140.00	130.00	120.00	1PQE4	
(d) Per OC-3 (2 Fiber)	200.00	240.00	190.00	175.00	160.00	1PQE5	
(e) Per OC-3 (4 Fiber)	200.00	425.00	330.00	300.00	270.00	1PQE6	
(f) Per OC-12 (2 Fiber)	360.00	640.00	495.00	450.00	405.00	1PQEE	
(g) Per OC-12 (4 Fiber)	400.00	1,280.00	990.00	900.00	810.00	1PQED	
(h) Per OC-48 (2 Fiber)	500.00	1,600.00	1,325.00	1,215.00	1,050.00	1PQEO	
(i) Per OC-48 (4 Fiber)	500.00	3,200.00	2,650.00	2,430.00	2,100.00	1PQEF	
(j) Per 28 DS1 Channel System	125.00	600.00	490.00	465.00	450.00	MQ3CO	
(k) Per DS1 on 28 DS1 Channel System	125.00	15.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	1PQEA	
(l) Per STS-1 Channel System	125.00	600.00	490.00	465.00	450.00	1PQE7	
(m) Per OC-3 Channel System	125.00	1,325.00	1,100.00	1,000.00	900.00	1PQE9	
(n) Per OC-12 Channel System	125.00	2,650.00	2,200.00	2,000.00	1,800.00	1PQ12	
(o) Per OC-48 Channel System	125.00	5,490.00	4,410.00	4,050.00	3,510.00	1PQ48	
(p) Per 1000 Mbps ²	400.00	740.00	520.00	475.00	425.00	1PQEK	(N)

E. Concatenation Rearrangement Charge

1. Per OC-3, OC-12 or OC-48 optical circuit rearranged as concatenated or non-concatenated subsequent to the initial installation of the circuit

	Nonrecurring Charge		USOC
	Initial	Subsequent	
(a) Per circuit	\$0	\$500.00	NRCCN

F. C-Bit Parity

1. Per DS3 circuit rearranged to have C-Bit Parity added or removed subsequent to the initial installation of the circuit.

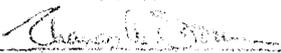
(a) Per circuit	0	500.00	NRCCB
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B7.4 LightGate® Service (Cont'd)

B7.4.5 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

G. Moves

1. A move involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:
 - a. the point of interface at the customer premises, or
 - b. the customer's premises
2. When the move is to a new location in Company territory within the same state, the charge for the move is equal to the sum of all nonrecurring charges applicable to a new LightGate® service arrangement at the new location.
When the move is to a new location in Company territory in a different state, the move will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service. The customer will be responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service. All applicable nonrecurring charges at the new location will apply.

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B7.5 MegaLink® ISDN Service (Obsoleted, See Section B107.)

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B7.5 MegaLink® ISDN Service (Obsolated. See Section B107.) (Cont'd)

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B7.5 MegaLink® ISDN Service (Obsoleted. See Section B107.) (Cont'd)

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B7.7 Self-Healing Multi-Nodal Alternate Route Topology Ring (SMARTRing®) Service

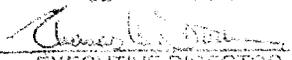
B7.7.1 General

- A. SMARTRing® service is a dedicated, high capacity, network designed to provide increased reliability and functionality via a self-healing ring topology between multiple customer designated locations and Company Central Offices where facilities can be made available as determined by the Company. This network consists of fiber routed through local, alternate central office, internodal and/or interoffice channel facilities that transmit DS1, DS3, STS-1, OC-3, OC-12 and/or OC-48 channel services simultaneously over primary and alternate paths between customer designated locations and Company Central Offices. This ring topology will continually monitor DS1, DS3, STS-1, OC-3, OC-12 and/or OC-48 service quality, detect any failure within the system, and automatically self-heal around a point of failure to ensure the flow of DS1, DS3, STS-1, OC-3, OC-12 and/or OC-48 Services between locations within the self-healing network. For locations where a customer requests SMARTRing® service and facilities are not available, construction charges will apply as set forth in Section B5. of this Tariff for cases involving extraordinary cost.
- B. SMARTRing® service is available at OC-3, OC-3+, OC-12, OC-48, OC-48+, **OC-192** and OC-192+ capacities. (C)
OC-3 SMARTRing® service is available as an individual service or in an Overlay Ring Arrangement riding the customer's host OC-12, OC-48, OC-48+, **OC-192** or OC-192+ SMARTRing® service. OC-3 SMARTRing® service provides an equivalent capacity of 3 DS3s, or any combination thereof not to exceed an OC-3 capacity. (C)
Channel Interface Capacity Reallocation allows the customer to reallocate channel interfaces on a node subsequent to the initial installation of the channel interfaces.
OC-3+ SMARTRing® service is available as an individual service, or in combination with OC-12 SMARTRing®, or in an Overlay Ring Arrangement riding the customer's host OC-48, OC-48+, **OC-192** or OC-192+ SMARTRing® service. OC-3+ SMARTRing® service provides an equivalent OC-3 capacity, not to exceed 3 DS3s at each node, with a maximum ring capacity of 12 DS3s, not to exceed an OC-12 ring capacity. (C)
When a customer orders OC-3+ SMARTRing® service in combination with OC-12 SMARTRing®, capacity and channel interface availability at each Customer Node and Central Office Node location is determined by the size node ordered by the customer.
OC-12 SMARTRing® service is available as an individual service, or in combination with OC-3+ SMARTRing® service, or in an Overlay Ring Arrangement riding the customer's host OC-48, OC-48+, **OC-192** or OC-192+ SMARTRing® service. OC-12 SMARTRing® service provides an equivalent capacity of 12 DS3s. (C)
OC-48 SMARTRing® service is available as an individual service, or with overlaying rings in capacities of OC-3, OC-3+ and/or OC-12, or in an Overlay Ring Arrangement riding the customer's **OC-192** or OC-192+ SMARTRing® service. OC-48 SMARTRing® service provides an equivalent capacity of 48 DS3s. (C)
OC-48+ SMARTRing® service is available as an individual bi-directional service, or with overlaying rings in capacities of OC-3, OC-3+ and/or OC-12, or in an Overlay Ring Arrangement riding the customer's OC-192+ SMARTRing® service.. It provides equivalent capacity of 24 DS3s between consecutive node locations on the ring. The maximum capacity of the OC-48+ SMARTRing® service is determined by the number of Customer and Central Office nodes on the ring.
OC-192 SMARTRing® service is available as an individual service, or with overlaying rings in capacities of OC-3, OC-3+, OC-12 and/or OC-48. OC-192 SMARTRing® service provides an equivalent capacity of 192 DS3s. (N)
OC-192+ SMARTRing® service is available as an individual bi-directional service, or with overlaying rings in capacities of OC-3, OC-3+, OC-12, OC-48 and/or OC-48+. It provides equivalent capacity of 96 DS3s between consecutive node locations on the ring. The maximum capacity of the OC-192+ SMARTRing® service is determined by the number of Customer and Central Office nodes on the ring.

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B7.7 Self-Healing Multi-Nodal Alternate Route Topology Ring (SMARTRing®) Service (Cont'd)

B7.7.1 General (Cont'd)

B. (Cont'd)

SMARTRing® service Channel Interfaces are available as follows:

Channel Interfaces	NODES								
	OC-3	OC-3+	OC-12	OC-48	OC-48+	OC-192	OC-192+		
DS1	Yes	Yes	No ¹	Yes ¹	No ¹	Yes ¹	No ¹	(C)	
DS3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ²	(C)	
STS-1	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ²	(C)	
OC-3	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	(C)	
OC-12	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	(C)	
OC-48	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	(C)	
28 DS1 Channel System (DS3)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ²	(C)	
28 DS1 Channel System (STS-1)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ²	(C)	
DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1)	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	(C)	
DS1 Within an STS-1 Asymmetrical Arrangement	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	(C)	
1000 Mbps	No	No	No	Yes ²	Yes ²	Yes	Yes ²	(N)	

SMARTRing® service OC-3, OC-12, or OC-48 channel interfaces are associated with optical circuits within a SMARTRing® service arrangement. These optical circuits may be provisioned as concatenated. When an optical circuit is provisioned as concatenated, the multiple STS-1s within the optical circuit are provided as a single entity with a single overhead channel.

SMARTRing® service interfaces may be ordered as asymmetrical (i.e., a circuit enters one node at a lower level interface and exits at another node at a higher level interface). For example, a customer may have a service that connects to a ring via an OC-3 interface at a node. That service is then transported around the ring and connects via an OC-12 interface to another of the customer's services. The allowable asymmetrical interface arrangements for the various ring sizes are as shown in Technical Reference TR-73582.

The DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1) interface allows a customer to aggregate DS1s originating from multiple nodes on a ring into a single DS3 interface at a designated node. A DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1) interface has the capacity to aggregate 28 DS1s.

The DS1 within an STS-1 Asymmetrical Arrangement interface rate element applies in lieu of the STS-1 interface for the higher level termination of an asymmetrical arrangement when the lower level interface is a DS1.

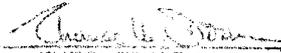
SMARTRing® service Overlay Ring Arrangements are available as follows:

OVERLAYING SMARTRing® Service	Host SMARTRing® Service					
	OC-12	OC-48	OC-48+	OC-192	OC-192+	
OC-3	X	X	X	X	X	(C)
OC-3+		X	X	X	X	(C)
OC-12		X	X	X	X	(C)
OC-48				X	X	(C)
OC-48+					X	(C)

Note 1: DS1 interfaces are available via OC-3, OC-3+ or 28 DS1 Channel System arrangements only for OC-12, OC-48+ and OC-192+ nodes and for OC-48, OC-48+ and OC-192+ SMARTRing® service Nodes installed prior to November 28, 2003. For OC-48 and OC-192 nodes, installed on or after that date, DS1 interfaces are available with a maximum quantity per node of 96.

Note 2: DS3, STS-1, channel systems and 1000 Mbps interfaces are only available for nodes installed after November 28, 2003. 1000 Mbps transport channel interfaces do not contain any monitoring capability above the physical layer.

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B7.7.1 General (Cont'd)

- C. SMARTRing® service is connectible at Company central offices to any compatible high capacity service as provided in Section B7. of this Tariff and to Broadband Exchange Line Service at compatible data rates (e.g., 1.586 Mbps) as provided in A40.5 of the General Subscriber Services Tariff. Rates and charges for such other services are as set forth in the applicable sections of this Tariff for such other services.
- D. The customer must provide suitable floor space, controlled environment, and source of non-switched suitable power to support this service.
- E. Where the customer provides two separate entrance facility cable routes for SMARTRing® service, the primary and alternate entrance facilities will be separate and will enter the customer node over such different routes. When the customer requests a connection at a Customer Node via two Local Channels and Telephone Company facilities do not exist for the second Local Channel, the Telephone Company may provide an equivalent second Local Channel via an existing alternate route. When facilities become available for the second Local Channel, the Telephone Company may rearrange the alternate route at any time.
- F. The compatibility requirements, technical specifications, and generic requirements for SMARTRing® service terminated at the customer's designated locations are referenced in Technical Reference ANSI T1.404-1989, and ANSI T1.403-1989.
- G. DS3 interface combinations and technical specifications are referenced in Bellcore TR-INS-000342.
- H. DS1 interface combinations and technical specifications are referenced in Bellcore TR-NPL-000054.
- I. SMARTRing® service DS3 high capacity service channels have a performance objective of 99.5 percent error-free seconds over a continuous twenty-four hour period. Self-healing multi-nodal DS1 high capacity service channels have a performance objective of 99.95 percent error-free seconds over a continuous twenty-four hour period.

B7.7.2 Application of Rates

- A. Monthly rates and charges as specified in B7.7.4 following apply for each SMARTRing® service. Customers must specify network capacity at the time of the initial order. In an Overlay Ring Arrangement where a customer's overlaying SMARTRing® service rides the customer's host SMARTRing® service, the overlay ring will share the transport of the host ring between common node locations. Rate categories at OC-3, OC-3+, OC-12, OC-48, OC-48+ and **OC-192+** capacity levels include Customer Nodes, Central Office Nodes, Local Channels, Alternate Central Office Channels, Interoffice Channels and Internodal Channels. Channel Interfaces are required at each node on the network and must be associated with a SMARTRing® service. An OC-3 Overlay Ring Arrangement requires an OC-3 Channel Interface at each node involved. An OC-3+ or OC-12 Overlay Ring Arrangement requires an OC-12 Channel Interface at each node involved. **An OC-48/OC-48+ Overlay Ring arrangement requires an OC-48 Channel Interface at each node involved.** In Overlay Ring Arrangements, the customer must order a Channel Interface for each entry to or exit from the host ring. In all other situations, the number of Channel Interfaces ordered will depend on whether the customer desires a working interface, or a working interface and a protection interface. The quantity of channel interfaces ordered may not exceed the capacity ordered. When a 28 DS1 Channel System is utilized to activate DS1 channels, the appropriate number of DS1 Channel Interfaces are required in lieu of an originating or terminating DS3 Channel Interface. **SMARTRing® service interfaces may be ordered as asymmetrical (i.e., a circuit enters one node at a lower level interface and exits at another node at a higher level interface).** (C)
- B. Nonrecurring charges for Local, Alternate Central Office, Interoffice and Internodal Channels apply for each channel. When the customer requests two separate routes and the routing is provided as described in B7.7.1.E. preceding, charges apply for the Local Channels and any Interoffice Channels on the requested route. If the Company rearranges the alternate route, nonrecurring charges do not apply for the second Local Channel. Recurring charges for Local, Alternate Central Office, Interoffice and Internodal Channels apply for each quarter air mile increment of the channel. Fractions of a quarter mile will always round up to the next quarter air mile before determining the mileage and applying the rate. For channels which are less than one quarter mile, a minimum charge of one quarter mile applies.
- C. For Internodal Channels, charges apply as appropriate either for the same wire center area or contiguous serving wire center areas, as specified in B7.7.4.A.4.
- D. SMARTRing® service OC-3, OC-12, or OC-48 channel interfaces are associated with optical circuits within a SMARTRing® service arrangement. These optical circuits may be provisioned as concatenated. When an optical circuit is provisioned as concatenated, the multiple STS-1s within the optical circuit are provided as a single entity with a single overhead channel. When an optical circuit is provisioned as concatenated at the time the circuit is installed, there is no additional charge for provisioning it as concatenated. When an existing non-concatenated optical circuit is requested to be concatenated as concatenated, a concatenation rearrangement charge shall apply. This rearrangement charge shall also apply for existing concatenated circuits that are requested to be converted to non-concatenated. (N)

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B7.7.2 Application of Rates (Cont'd)

- E. SMARTRing® service interfaces may be ordered as asymmetrical (i.e., a circuit enters one node at a lower level interface and exits at another node at a higher level interface) For example, a customer may have a service that connects to a ring via an OC-3 interface at a node. That service is then transported around the ring and connects via an OC-12 interface to another of the customer's services. The allowable asymmetrical interface arrangements for the various ring sizes are as shown in Technical Reference TR-73582. The interface rates for asymmetrical arrangements are the same as the rates for symmetrical arrangements except as follows:
- For lower level DS1 interfaces in an asymmetrical arrangement with an STS-1 interface, the DS1 within an STS-1 Asymmetrical Arrangement interface rate element applies in lieu of the STS-1 interface for the higher level termination. (N)
- For lower level DS1 interfaces in an asymmetrical arrangement with a DS3 interface, the DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1) interface rate element applies in lieu of the DS3 interface for the higher level termination of the asymmetrical arrangement. (N)
- F. In addition, customers with DS3 interfaces at the Customer Node electing to connect with DS1 services at a Central Office Node, must obtain a 28 DS1 Channel System, and the appropriate number of DS1 Channel Interfaces. *The applicable rate elements for this arrangement are a DS3 Interface at the Customer Node and a 28 DS1 Channel System with DS1 Interfaces at the Central Office Node. The SMARTRing® service 28 DS1 Channel System does not require a DS3 interface at the Central Office Node.* A maximum of 28 DS1 Channel Interfaces can be activated for each 28 DS1 System utilized. Nonrecurring charges are established on a per order basis for each 28 DS1 Channel System and for each additional 28 DS1 Channel System at that same Central Office Node. Nonrecurring charges apply for each DS1 Channel Interface. The recurring rate applies for each 28 Channel System and each DS1 Channel Interface activated per Central Office Node. (C)
- G. In order to accommodate more flexible customer situations, SMARTRing® service is available under several payment plans: 36 Month Term Payment Plan (24-48 months), 60 Month Term Payment Plan (49-72 months), or 84 Month Term Payment Plan (73-96 months). The 36, 60, and 84 Month Term Payment Plans are provided under conditions specified in the Channel Services Payment Plan, (CSPP), B2.4.9 preceding, except as modified following. For all payment plans, the following regulations apply: (T)
1. All rate elements, except Channel Interfaces for a given SMARTRing® service, whether initially or subsequently ordered, must be provided under the same payment plan with the same service period and are coterminous upon disconnect of the SMARTRing® service. Channel Interfaces may be ordered under payment plans equal to or less than the selected payment period for the given SMARTRing® service.
 2. The rates applicable to a month-to-month payment plan are subject to Company initiated changes.
 3. A termination liability charge will be applicable if services provided under a CSPP arrangement are disconnected prior to the end of the chosen service period. The applicable charge is equal to the number of months remaining in the rate stabilized service period times sixty percent of the monthly rates for SMARTRing® service which include all Nodes, Channel Interfaces, Local Channels, Alternate Central Office Channels, Internodal Channels and/or Interoffice Channels provided under the CSPP arrangement. For services under the month-to-month payment plan, a termination charge is equal to the number of months remaining in the twelve month minimum times the month-to-month rates in effect for SMARTRing® service at the time of termination.
 4. When a service period under an existing CSPP arrangement is completed and a customer elects to revert to a month-to-month payment option, no minimum period is applicable.
 5. Additions of services or rate elements, for activating spare or unused capacities of a SMARTRing® service under a CSPP arrangement, must be activated at the same rates and charges specified under the existing CSPP arrangement. Channel interfaces may be ordered as specified in 1. preceding.
 6. Additions of services or rate elements, i.e. new local channels, interoffice channels, etc., other than for activating spare or unused capacities, must be under a new CSPP arrangement at rates and charges as specified in 1. preceding. The new CSPP arrangement must be at least 24 months and must be coterminous with the CSPP arrangement for the existing SMARTRing® service.
 7. All customers ordering a new SMARTRing® service or upgrading existing SMARTRing® service under a Channel Services Payment Plan (CSPP) by February 20, 1996, with a Service Establishment Date of no later than July 19, 1996, will benefit from a special promotional offering to waive nonrecurring charges associated with the service. All SMARTRing® service customers under a Special Service Arrangement contract, where the service was installed as of October 20, 1995, will benefit from the special promotional offering to waive nonrecurring charges associated with ring level billing.

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B7.7.2 Application of Rates (Cont'd)

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Ring level billing is defined as billing for the following rate elements: Local Channel, Interoffice Channel, Internodal Channel, Alternate Central Office Channel, Customer Node and Central Office Node. Billing for Customer Channel Interfaces and Central Office Channel Interfaces recurring and nonrecurring charges will be effective upon activation to the SMARTRing® service.

In addition, termination liability charges are also waived for upgrades to SMARTRing® services, under the terms and conditions set forth in B2.4.9 preceding. Specific requirements must be satisfied in order for charges to be waived as follows:

- a. Nonrecurring charges set forth in B3.3 of this Tariff will be waived when a customer reconfigures existing Company provided network services that are groomed or rolled over onto a new SMARTRing® service or upgraded from existing SMARTRing® service.
- b. The customer's SMARTRing® service, to which the network services are reconfigured, must be ordered under a CSPP. However, individual DS1 and/or DS3 channel interfaces associated with SMARTRing® service may be provided under month-to-month terms if the existing services were provided under month-to-month rates.
- c. Special promotional waivers will be processed as projects for each customer designated location, and all associated connect and disconnect orders must be placed at the same time. Reconfiguration work must be completed within twelve months of the customer order date. Only one reconfiguration plan will be permitted per customer location.
- d. Special promotional waivers shall not apply when the service is moved by the customer from one location to another.
- e. In the event the SMARTRing® service is disconnected at the customer's request prior to the expiration of the CSPP, full nonrecurring charges associated with ring level billing will apply.

H. SMARTRing® service Local Channel, Alternate Central Office Channel and Internodal Channel rates are distance sensitive. They are measured per quarter airline mile or fraction thereof from the customer's designated premises to the Serving Wire Center, Alternate Central Office, or other Customer Nodes. V&H coordinates are derived for each customer location through the use of longitude and latitude measurements. Using the V&H coordinate method as set forth in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. No. 4, compute the mileage, convert to quarter miles, and multiply the appropriate per quarter mile rate by the distance involved. Any portion of a quarter mile will always round up to the next quarter mile before determining the mileage and applying the rate. For channels which are less than one quarter mile, a minimum charge of one quarter mile applies. (T)

I. The SMARTRing® service Interoffice Channel mileage is calculated per quarter airline mile between two directly connected central offices on the ring. Interoffice Channel mileage is computed by using the V&H coordinates method as set forth in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. TARIFF F.C.C. No. 4. To determine the rate to be billed, multiply the appropriate per quarter mile rate by the distance involved. Fractions of a quarter mile always round up to the next quarter mile before determining the mileage and applying the rate. For channels which are less than one quarter mile, a minimum charge of one quarter mile applies. (T)

B7.7.3 Architecture

A. SMARTRing® Service

The SMARTRing® service configuration utilizes a multi-nodal ring architecture which is specified jointly by the Company and the customer. The minimum configuration provides dedicated DS3 (44.736 Mbps) and/or DS1 digital services and must include at least three nodes. One node must be a Central Office Node in Company Central Office. The remaining two nodes may be either Central Office Nodes in a Company Central Offices or Customer Nodes at customer designated locations, or one of each. Additional nodes above the three node minimum may be any combination thereof. The maximum number of nodes will be determined based on equipment capability. The nodes are connected by SMARTRing® service Local Channels, Alternate Central Office Channels, Interoffice Channels and Internodal Channels as applicable. SMARTRing® service may be connected to other high capacity services only at Central Office Nodes. (C)

Applicable rate elements for this service are:

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B7.7.3 Architecture (Cont'd)

A. SMARTRing® Service (Cont'd)

- Customer Node (at least one), provides ring switching capabilities at customer designated locations other than Company Premises that are part of SMARTRing® service. This rate element offers OC-3, OC-3+, OC-12, OC-48, OC-48+, **OC-192** or OC-192+ network capacities and requires the customer to obtain the appropriate number of SMARTRing® service Channel Interfaces. (C)
- Customer Channel Interface provides DS1, DS3, STS-1, OC-3, OC-12, OC-48 and/or **1000 Mbps** connectivity that may take place at each Customer Node of SMARTRing® service. The Customer Channel Interface rate element applies for every interface capacity that originates or terminates at a Customer Node. (C)
- Central Office Node (at least one), provides ring switching capabilities at Company Central Offices that are a part of SMARTRing® service. This rate element OC-3+, OC-12, OC-48, OC-48+, **OC-192** or OC-192+ network capacities. A summary of the channel interfaces available with each node are specified in B7.7.1 preceding. (C)
- Central Office Channel Interface provides DS1, DS3, STS-1, OC-3, OC-12, OC-48 and/or **1000 Mbps** connectivity that may take place at each Central Office Node located on SMARTRing® service. The Central Office Channel Interface rate element applies for every interface capacity that originates or terminates at a Central Office Node. Customers with DS3 interfaces at the Customer Node, electing to connect with DS1 services at a Central Office Node, must obtain a 28 DS1 Channel System. (C)
- Local Channel (at least one for each Customer Node which is directly connected to the serving wire center), provides for the communications path between a Customer Node and the serving wire center of the premises where located.
- Alternate Central Office Channel (at least one for each Customer Node which is directly connected to an Alternate Central Office), provides for the communications path, where requested, between a Customer Node and an Alternate Central Office.
- Interoffice Channel (one for each path between each two directly connected Company Central Offices), provides for the communications path between directly connected Company Central Offices located on a SMARTRing® service.
- Intermodal Channel (one for each path between two directly connected Customer Nodes), provides for the communications path, where requested, between two directly connected Customer Nodes located (a) in the same Serving Wire Center area or (b) in the same Office Park/Campus Environment or contiguous property, located in contiguous Serving Wire Center areas.
- Channel Interface Capacity Reallocation (one per node per occurrence), allows the customer to reallocate channel interfaces on a node subsequent to the initial installation of the channel interfaces. For example, a customer may initially allocate, activated or spare, eighty-four DS1s at each node on the ring and may subsequently request Channel Interface Capacity Reallocation to drop one DS3 and fifty-six DS1s at each node, or other combination of DS3s and/or DS1s equivalent to an OC-3 network capacity.
- SMARTRing® service OC-3, OC-12, or OC-48 channel interfaces are associated with optical circuits within a SMARTRing® service arrangement. These optical circuits may be provisioned as concatenated. When an optical circuit is provisioned as concatenated, the multiple STS-1s within the optical circuit are provided as a single entity with a single overhead channel.
- SMARTRing® service interfaces may be ordered as asymmetrical (i.e., a circuit enters one node at a lower level interface and exits at another node at a higher level interface). For example, a customer may have a service that connects to a ring via an OC-3 interface at a node. That service is then transported around the ring and connects via an OC-12 interface to another of the customer's services. The allowable asymmetrical interface arrangements for the various ring sizes are as shown in Technical Reference TR-73582. (T)

B7.7.4 Rates and Charges

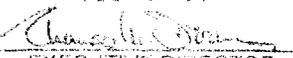
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1. Local Channel Mileage Rates (All Capacities)

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month To Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC
(a) Per Local Channel	\$500.00	-	-	-	-	1HVXX
(b) Per quarter air mile	-	\$95.00	\$83.00	\$73.00	\$68.00	1HVXX

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2. Alternate Central Office Channel Mileage Rates
(All Capacities)

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month To Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC	
(a) Alternate C.O. Channel, per channel	500.00	-	-	-	-	1HAXX	
(b) Per quarter air mile	-	685.00	280.00	175.00	140.00	1HAAX	
3. Interoffice Channel Mileage Rates							
(a) Fixed, OC-3 capacity	195.00	50.00	36.00	32.00	27.00	1HXFX	
(b) Fixed, OC-12 capacity	195.00	145.00	130.00	115.00	105.00	1HXFX	
(c) Per quarter air mile (OC-3 capacity)	-	45.00	32.00	23.00	18.00	1HXAX	
(d) Per quarter air mile (OC-12 capacity)	-	50.00	36.00	30.00	23.00	1HXAX	
(e) Fixed, OC-3+ capacity	195.00	145.00	130.00	115.00	105.00	1HXFX	
(f) Fixed, OC-48 and (OC-48+ capacity)	195.00	340.00	270.00	260.00	250.00	1HXFX	
(g) Fixed, OC-192 and OC-192+ capacity	240.00	770.00	635.00	610.00	590.00	1HXFX	(C)
(h) Per quarter air mile (OC-3+ capacity)	-	50.00	36.00	30.00	23.00	1HXAX	
(i) Per quarter air mile (OC-48 and 48+ capacity)	-	50.00	36.00	30.00	23.00	1HXAX	
(j) Per quarter air mile (OC-192 and OC192+ capacity)	-	50.00	36.00	30.00	23.00	1HXAX	(C)
4. Internodal Channel Mileage Rates							
(a) Per Internodal Channel, Same Wire Center area	500.00	-	-	-	-	1HNXX	
(b) Per quarter air mile, Same Wire Center	-	1,400.00	535.00	415.00	345.00	1HNWX	
(c) Per Internodal Channel, Same Office Park/Campus Environment in Contiguous Serving Wire Center areas	500.00	-	-	-	-	1HNZX	
(d) Per quarter air mile, same Office Park/Campus Environment in contiguous Serving Wire Center areas	-	1,600.00	650.00	465.00	390.00	1HNCX	
5. Customer Node (per Node)							
(a) OC-3 capacity	435.00	2,200.00	990.00	900.00	810.00	SHNC3	
(b) OC-3+ capacity	435.00	2,700.00	1,845.00	1,575.00	1,350.00	SHNN5	
(c) OC-12 capacity	465.00	3,400.00	1,980.00	1,800.00	1,575.00	SHNC1	
(d) OC-48 capacity	465.00	5,220.00	4,410.00	4,050.00	3,510.00	SHNN8	
(e) OC-48+ capacity	465.00	5,850.00	4,410.00	4,050.00	3,510.00	SHNN9	
(f) OC-192 capacity	540.00	25,000.00	9,375.00	8,250.00	7,300.00	SHNN6	(N)
(g) OC-192+ capacity	540.00	25,000.00	9,375.00	8,250.00	7,300.00	SHNN2	(T)(R)

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6. Customer Channel Interface (per Node)

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month To Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC	
(a) Per DS1	\$165.00	\$35.00	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$20.00	SHNBB	
(b) Per DS3	130.00	170.00	135.00	130.00	125.00	SHNZT	
(c) Per STS-1	190.00	220.00	170.00	150.00	140.00	SHN13	
(d) Per OC-3, 2 fiber	190.00	255.00	190.00	170.00	160.00	SHN1D	
(e) Per OC-3, 4 fiber	190.00	515.00	380.00	340.00	320.00	SHN15	
(f) Per OC-12, 2 fiber	340.00	745.00	515.00	475.00	440.00	SHN1F	
(g) Per OC-12, 4 fiber	340.00	1,490.00	1,030.00	950.00	880.00	SHN19	
(h) Per OC-48, 2 fiber	420.00	1,600.00	1,325.00	1,215.00	1,050.00	SHN1A	
(i) Per OC-48, 4 fiber	420.00	3,200.00	2,650.00	2,430.00	2,100.00	SHN1B	
(j) Per DS1 within an STS-1 Asymmetrical Arrangement	330.00	25.00	22.00	20.00	18.00	SHNBS	
(k) Per DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1)	360.00	550.00	450.00	400.00	350.00	SHN1T	
(l) Per 1000 Mbps	400.00	740.00	520.00	475.00	425.00	SHN1K	(N)
7. Central Office Node (per Node)							
(a) OC-3 capacity	405.00	1,400.00	990.00	900.00	810.00	SHNH3	
(b) OC-3+ capacity	405.00	2,250.00	1,845.00	1,575.00	1,350.00	SHNH5	
(c) OC-12 capacity	455.00	2,600.00	1,980.00	1,800.00	1,575.00	SHNH1	
(d) OC-48 capacity	455.00	4,860.00	4,110.00	4,050.00	3,510.00	SHNH8	
(e) OC-48+ capacity	455.00	5,490.00	4,110.00	4,050.00	3,510.00	SHNH9	
(f) OC-192 capacity	540.00	25,000.00	9,375.00	8,250.00	7,300.00	SHNH7	(N)
(g) OC-192+ capacity	540.00	25,000.00	9,375.00	8,250.00	7,300.00	SHNH6	(T)(R)
8. Central Office Channel Interface (per Central Office Node)							
(a) Per DS1	120.00	35.00	30.00	25.00	20.00	SHNCB	
(b) Per DS3	185.00	115.00	85.00	80.00	75.00	SHNYT	
(c) Per STS-1	190.00	150.00	105.00	100.00	90.00	SHNO2	
(d) Per OC-3, 2 fiber	340.00	255.00	190.00	170.00	160.00	SHNCD	
(e) Per OC-3, 4 fiber	340.00	515.00	380.00	340.00	320.00	SHNO4	
(f) Per OC-12, 2 fiber	535.00	745.00	515.00	475.00	440.00	SHNCF	
(g) Per OC-12, 4 fiber	535.00	1,490.00	1,030.00	950.00	880.00	SHNC9	
(h) Per OC-48, 2 fiber	650.00	1,600.00	1,325.00	1,215.00	1,050.00	SHNCJ	
(i) Per OC-48, 4 fiber	650.00	3,200.00	2,650.00	2,430.00	2,100.00	SHNCK	
(j) Per 28 DS1 Channel System (DS3)	185.00	650.00	550.00	500.00	450.00	SHNW8	
(k) Per 28 DS1 Channel System (STS-1)	195.00	750.00	550.00	500.00	450.00	SHNCS	
(l) Per DS1 on 28 DS1 Channel System (DS3)	155.00	12.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	SHNCA	
(m) Per DS1 on 28 DS1 Channel System (STS-1)	155.00	40.00	35.00	30.00	25.00	SHNCG	
(n) Per DS1 within an STS-1 Asymmetrical Arrangement	360.00	25.00	22.00	20.00	18.00	SHNCH	
(o) Per DS3 (Asymmetrical with DS1)	400.00	550.00	450.00	400.00	350.00	SHNCT	
(p) Per 1000 Mbps	400.00	740.00	520.00	475.00	425.00	SHNCW	(N)
9. Channel Interface Capacity Reallocation							
(a) Per Node, Per occurrence						USOC SHRBC	

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A. Self-healing Multi-nodal Alternate Route Topology Ring (SMARTRing® Service) (Cont'd)

10. Concatenation Rearrangement Charge

	Monthly Rate	Nonrecurring Charge		USOC	
		Initial	Subsequent	NRCCN	
(a) Per OC-3, OC-12 or OC-48 optical circuit rearranged as concatenated or non concatenated subsequent to the initial installation of the circuit	\$-	\$-	\$500.00		(N) (N) (N)

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B7.8 Reserved For Future Use (N)

B7.9 MegaLink® Plus Service (N)

B7.9.1 General (N)

- A. MegaLink® Plus service is furnished for Private Line IntraLATA Communications by the Company. (N)
- B. MegaLink® Plus service is a service for transmission of digital signals only and uses only digital transmission facilities. (N)
- C. MegaLink® Plus service is a fiber-based high capacity network service providing a 1.544 Mbps transport link with high performance and reliability parameters. This service utilizes structurally diverse loop facilities designed to limit single points of failure between a customer's location and its normal serving wire center. (N)
- D. MegaLink® Plus service is available to customer locations where existing loop facilities are fiber-based and utilize structurally diverse routes. For locations where loop facilities are not available to satisfy customer requests for MegaLink® Plus service, special construction charges will apply as set forth in Section B5. preceding. (N)
- E. The technical specifications and standard network interfaces for MegaLink® Plus service are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference Publication 73525. This publication is available from Regional Documentation Services, 600 North 19th Street, 20th Floor, Birmingham, Alabama 35203. (N)

B7.9.2 Regulations (N)

- A. Description of Service (N)
 - 1. MegaLink® Plus service utilizes a self-healing diverse fiber-based local channel (loop) transport link between a customer designated premises and the normal serving wire center. (N)
 - 2. MegaLink® Plus service is furnished on a link (partial) basis for connection at the normal serving wire center to another MegaLink® Plus service, Centrex Type Services¹, MegaLink® channel service, FlexServ® service, LightGate® service, or SMARTRing® service. Connectivity between MegaLink® Plus service and these other services may be provided via a MegaLink® service Interoffice Channel between central offices. (N)
 - 3. All appropriate rates, charges, rules and regulations specified in other tariff sections for connected services are in addition to those for MegaLink® Plus service specified in this tariff. (N)
 - 4. Performance objectives for MegaLink® Plus service between the customer's location and the serving wire center are as follows: (N)
 - a. Meet or exceed 99.98 percent Circuit Availability. (N)
 - b. Meet or exceed 99.95 percent Error Free Seconds. (N)
 - c. Meet or exceed .010 Severely Errored Seconds. (N)The objectives apply except when a customer's equipment and/or cabling is disconnected and/or inoperative, or when a MegaLink® service Interoffice Channel is used in conjunction with a MegaLink® Plus service Local Channel. Consult TR73525 for additional information concerning service performance objectives. (N)
 - 5. Performance guarantees for MegaLink® Plus service are as follows: (N)
 - a. Service Installation (N)

The Company will meet negotiated due date or credit an amount equal to the month-to-month payment plan nonrecurring charge according to the Service Installation Guarantee provisions described in B2.4.17 preceding. (N)
 - b. Service Continuity (N)

In the event of primary failure, service is guaranteed to switch to an alternate facility path in sixty seconds or less. Failure to meet this guarantee will result in a credit as described in B7.9.2.E.3. following where the trouble is in the local loop facility on public right-of-way. (N)
- Note 1: Connection from MegaLink® Plus service to Centrex Type Services may not be available from all serving wire centers. (N)

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B7.9 MegaLink® Plus Service

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B7.9.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

B. Definitions

MEGALINK® PLUS SERVICE LOCAL CHANNEL

The MegaLink® Plus service Local Channel provides for the connection between a customer's designated premises to their serving wire center.

C. Application of Rates

1. Monthly rates and charges as specified in B7.9.3.A. following apply for each MegaLink® Plus service local channel.
2. Recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges apply for each MegaLink® Plus service. Nonrecurring charges will not apply for the MegaLink® Plus service Local Channel rate element when MegaLink® Plus service is furnished under a payment plan other than month-to-month. Available payment plans are described in 3. following.
3. MegaLink® Plus service is available under several payment plans: Month-to-month (with a one month minimum), Plan A (24-48 Months), Plan B (49-72 Months), and Plan C (73-96 Months) under conditions specified in the Channel Services Payment Plan (CSPP) in B2.4 preceding.
4. Month-to-month payment plan rates are subject to Company initiated changes. MegaLink® Plus service rates provided under a CSPP arrangement are exempt from Company initiated rate increases for the duration of the payment plan length selected; however, decreases on recurring rates will flow through to the customer.
5. A Termination Liability Charge (TLC) is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the customer-specified payment period subscribed to and will be equal to the number of months remaining in the payment period times the monthly rate applicable. However, a TLC will not apply subject to the provisions set forth in B2.4.9.B. or customer requested changes to services not covered by the CSPP that are offered by the Company under an optional payment plan. (N)
6. A service performance credit as specified in E.3 following will apply. (T)

D. Connections

1. Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected to MegaLink® Plus service when such connection is made in accordance with the provisions specified in 2. and 3. following.
2. Responsibility of the Company
 - a. The responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing and maintenance of MegaLink® Plus service to a network interface on the customer's premises.
 - b. The Company shall not be responsible for installation, operation, or maintenance of any terminal equipment or communications system provided by a customer. MegaLink® Plus service is not represented as adapted for the use of such equipment or system. Where such equipment or system is connected to Company facilities, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to furnishing of facilities suitable for MegaLink® Plus service and to the maintenance and operation in a manner proper for such digital service. The Company shall not be responsible for:
 - the through transmission of signals generated by such equipment or system, or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission, or
 - the reception of signals by such equipment or systems, or
 - damage to terminal equipment or communication system provided by a customer or authorized user due to testing.
 - c. The Company shall not be responsible to the customer if changes in any of the facilities, operations, or procedures of the Company utilized in the provision of MegaLink® Plus service render any facilities or equipment provided by the customer obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment or system or otherwise affects its use or performance.
 - d. The Company undertakes to maintain and repair facilities which it furnishes. The customer may not rearrange, disconnect, remove, or attempt to repair any equipment installed by the Company without prior written consent of the Company.

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B7.9 MegaLink® Plus Service

B7.9.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

D. Connections (Cont'd)

3. Responsibility of the Customer

- a. The customer is responsible for installing and testing premises equipment or facilities to insure that when they are connected to MegaLink® Plus service such equipment or facilities are operating properly. (N)
- b. The operating characteristics of the customer premises equipment shall be such as to not interfere with any of the services offered by the Company. Such use is subject to the further provisions that the equipment provided by the customer does not: endanger the safety of Company employees or the public; damage, require change in or alteration of the equipment or other facilities of the Company; interfere with the proper functioning of such equipment or other facilities of the Company; impair the operation of the Company's facilities or otherwise injure the public in its use of the Company's services. Upon notice that the equipment provided by a customer is causing or is likely to cause such hazard or interference, the customer shall take such steps as shall be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard or interference. (N)
- c. The customer's responsibility shall include cooperative testing with the Company as may be necessary. Where regeneration and/or equalization adjustments or changes may be required to compensate for rearrangements and/or changes in outside plant facilities, the customer will be responsible for all expenses incurred in changes to his premises equipment. (N)
- d. When MegaLink® Plus service is connected at the serving wire center to another service which is provisioned with ANSI T1.403-1995 Extended Superframe Format (ESF) and/or Clear Channel Capability, the customer will be required to add the same format and/or line code standard to the MegaLink® Plus service to ensure compatibility. Rates and regulations associated with Clear Channel Capability are located in B7.1 of this tariff. (N)

E. Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances

1. The minimum service period for MegaLink® Plus service is one month. (N)
2. Suspension of service is not allowed. (N)
3. Failure by the Company to meet the performance guarantee described in A.5.b preceding will result in a credit of an amount equal to the monthly rate billed for the service. Credit for interruptions of sixty (60) seconds or more will be applied through normal administrative processes and the dollar amount will be reflected on the customer's bill. A customer must report the outage in order to receive credit. The credit will apply no more than once per calendar month, and shall not exceed the monthly rate for the service. (N)
4. MegaLink® Plus service is eligible for credit of nonrecurring charges under "Service Installation Guarantee" found in B2.4.17 preceding. (N)

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.9 MegaLink® Plus Service

B7.9.3 Rates and Charges

- A. A MegaLink® Plus service Local Channel is furnished between a customer's premises and the Serving Wire Center. (N)

	Nonrecurring Charge		Month to Month	Plan A	Plan B	Plan C	USOC
	First	Add'l		24-48 Months	49-72 Months	73-96 Months	
1. MegaLink® Plus service Local Channel, each ¹							
(a) 1.544 Mbps	\$655.00	\$540.00	\$170.00	\$147.00	\$134.00	\$126.00	P2JP1
B. MegaLink® service Interoffice Channels are furnished between Central Offices to connect MegaLink® Plus service Local Channels between two customer premises.							
1. Interoffice Channel, each channel 0-8 miles ²							
(a) Fixed Monthly Rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNG1
(b) Each Airline Mile, or fraction thereof	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNGA
2. Interoffice Channel, each channel 9-25 miles ²							
(a) Fixed Monthly Rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNG2
(b) Each Airline Mile, or fraction thereof	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNGB
3. Interoffice Channel, each channel over 25 miles ²							
(a) Fixed Monthly Rate	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNG3
(b) Each Airline Mile, or fraction thereof	-	-	-	-	-	-	1LNGC
Note 1: Nonrecurring charges do not apply to MegaLink® Plus service Local Channels provided under a contract plan.							
Note 2: Refer to B7.1.3.B. for applicable nonrecurring charges and recurring rates.							

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.8 MegaLink® Plus Service

(N)

B7.9.3 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(N)

C. Service Rearrangements

(N)

If the change involves changing a customer's MegaLink® service to MegaLink® Plus service, the change will be considered a disconnect of the existing service and full nonrecurring charges will apply for the MegaLink® Plus service, as appropriate¹. Changes from MegaLink® service to MegaLink® Plus service will be considered an upgrade with regard to application of termination liability charges in accordance with the CSPP provisions provided in B2.4 preceding.

(N)

D. Moves

(N)

1. A move involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:

(N)

- a. The point of interface at the customer premises.
- b. The customer's premises.

(N)

(N)

2. The charges for the move are dependent on whether the move is to a new location within the same building or to a different building.

(N)

a. Moves Within the Same Building

(N)

When the move is to a new location within the same building, the charge for the move will be an amount equal to one-half the month-to-month nonrecurring charge. There will be no change in the minimum period requirements. If a move is made at the same time a service rearrangement is made, the total charge will never exceed a full nonrecurring charge for the month-to-month service.

(N)

b. To a Different Building

(N)

When the move is to a new location in Company territory within the same state, the charge for the move is equal to the sum of all nonrecurring charges applicable to a new MegaLink® Plus service month-to-month service arrangement at the new location.

(N)

When the move is to a new location in Company territory in a different state, the move will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service. The customer will be responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service. All applicable nonrecurring charges at the new location will apply.

(N)

Note 1: Nonrecurring charges do not apply to MegaLink® Plus service Local Channels provided under a contract plan.

(N)

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B7. DIGITAL NETWORK SERVICE

B7.10 MegaLink® Light Service

B7.10.1 General

- A. MegaLink® Light service is furnished for Private Line IntraLATA Communications by the Company. (N)
- B. MegaLink® Light service is a service for transmission of digital signals only and uses only digital transmission facilities. (N)
- C. MegaLink® Light service is a fiber-based high capacity network service providing a 1.544 Mbps (DS1) transport link. (N)
- D. MegaLink® Light service provides for the simultaneous two-way transmission of serial, Bipolar Return-to-Zero (BPRZ) isochronous digital signals, except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format, at DS1 speeds of 1.544 Mbps, and is available to customer locations where existing loop facilities are fiber-based. The rates specified for MegaLink® Light service in B7.10.3 following, contemplate the provision of a digital quality facility via existing exchange facilities compatible with this service. When MegaLink® Light service is requested at locations where loop facilities are not available to satisfy customer requests for MegaLink® Light service, special construction charges will apply as set forth in Section B5. preceding. (N)
- E. The performance objectives, technical specifications and standard network interfaces for MegaLink® Light service are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference Publication 73525. The performance objectives apply except when a customer's equipment and/or cabling is disconnected and/or inoperative, when customer provided power is disconnected and/or inoperative, or when a MegaLink® Light service is extended beyond its normal Serving Wire Center. TR 73525 is available from Regional Documentation Services, 600 North 19th Street, 20th Floor, Birmingham, Alabama 35203. (N)
- F. Unless specified following, the regulations for MegaLink® Light service specified herein apply in addition to the regulations set forth in Section B2 preceding. (N)

B7.10.2 Regulations

A. Description of Service

- 1. MegaLink® Light service utilizes a fiber-based local channel (loop) transport link between a customer designated premises and its normal serving wire center. (N)
- 2. MegaLink® Light service is furnished on a link (partial channel) basis for connection at the normal serving wire center to Centrex Type Services¹, MegaLink® channel service, FlexServ® service, LightGate® service or SMARTRing® service. Connectivity between MegaLink® Light service and these other services may be provided via a MegaLink® service Interoffice Channel between central offices. Except for MegaLink® service and MegaLink® Plus service, those services connectable to a MegaLink® service Interoffice Channel or a MegaLink® Light service Local Channel may be utilized for completion of a customer's point-to-point channel service. (N)
- 3. All appropriate rates, charges, rules and regulations specified in other tariff sections for connected services are in addition to those for MegaLink® Light service specified in this tariff. (N)
- 4. Performance objectives for MegaLink® Light service between the customer's location and the serving wire center are as specified in BellSouth Technical Reference Publication 73525. (N)
- 5. Performance guarantees for MegaLink® Light service are as follows: (N)
 - a. Service Installation (N)

The Company will meet negotiated due date or credit an amount equal to the month-to-month payment plan nonrecurring charge according to the Service Installation Guarantee provisions described in B2.4.17 preceding. (N)
 - b. Service Continuity (N)

Service outages in the local loop facility, will result in a credit as described in E.3. following where the trouble is in the local loop facility on public right-of-way. (N)

Note 1: Connection from MegaLink® Light service to Centrex Type Services may not be available from all serving wire centers. (N)

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B7.10 MegaLink® Light Service (Cont'd)

B7.10.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

B. Definitions

MegaLink® Light Service Local Channel

The MegaLink® Light service Local Channel denotes a path for MegaLink® Light service furnished between the customer's premises and its normal serving wire center.

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This denotes a channel service in terms of its digitally encoded data bit rate in accordance with the North American hierarchy of digital signal levels. It has a 1.544 Mbps data transmission rate, and provides for the two-way simultaneous transmission of isochronous timed, Bipolar Return-to-Zero (BPRZ) bit stream format except where intentional bipolar violations are introduced by Bipolar with 8 Zero Substitution (B8ZS) format. Unframed signal formats are not permitted or compatible with Company equipment. The required interface specifications are contained in BellSouth Technical Reference Publication 73525.

C. Application of Rates

1. MegaLink® Light service Local Channels will be charged for at rates based on the first half mile and each additional half mile for the airline distance measured between the customer's premises and its normal Serving Wire Center.
2. Recurring and nonrecurring rates and charges apply for each MegaLink® Light service. Available payment plans are described in 3. following.
3. MegaLink® Light service is available under several payment plans: Month-to-Month, Plan A (24-48 Months), Plan B (49-72 Months), and Plan C (73-96 Months) under conditions specified in the Channel Services Payment Plan (CSPP) in B2.4 preceding.
4. Month-to-Month payment plan rates are subject to Company initiated changes. MegaLink® Light service rates provided under a CSPP arrangement, as specified in B2.4.9.A preceding, are exempt from Company initiated rate increases for the duration of the payment plan length selected; however, decreases on recurring rates will flow through to the customer. At the expiration date of the customer's payment period option, the customer may select a new payment period option at current rates or revert to current Month-to-Month rates. Renewal options for MegaLink® Light service will be as specified in B2.4.9.A preceding.
5. A Termination Liability Charge (TLC) is applicable at the date of termination. The applicable charge is dependent on the payment period subscribed to and will be equal to the number of months remaining in the payment period times the monthly rate applicable. However, a TLC will not apply for; 1) moves of service subject to the provisions set forth in B7.10.3.B.5., 2) customer requested changes as specified in B2.4.9.A, CSPP or 3) customer requested change to services not covered by the CSPP that are offered by the Company under a contract payment plan.
6. When a customer requests B8ZS format be provided on a MegaLink® Light service Local Channel, regulations and rates and charges appropriate for Clear Channel Capability (CCC) as specified for MegaLink® service, located in B7.1 preceding, will apply.

D. Connections

1. Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected to MegaLink® Light service when such connection is made in accordance with the provisions specified in 2. and 3. following.
2. Responsibility of the Company
 - a. The responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing and maintenance of MegaLink® Light service to a network interface on the customer's premises.

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B7.10 MegaLink® Light Service (Cont'd)

B7.10.2 Regulations (cont'd)

D. Connections (Cont'd)

2. (Cont'd)

b. The Company shall not be responsible for installation, operation, or maintenance of any terminal equipment or communications system provided by a customer. MegaLink® Light service is not represented as adapted for the use of such equipment or system. Where such equipment or system is connected to Company facilities, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to furnishing of facilities suitable for MegaLink® Light service and to the maintenance and operation in a manner proper for such digital service. The Company shall not be responsible for:

- the through transmission of signals generated by such equipment or system, or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission, or
- the reception of signals by such equipment or systems, or
- damage to terminal equipment or communication system provided by a customer or authorized user due to testing.

c. The Company shall not be responsible to the customer if changes in any of the facilities, operations, or procedures of the Company utilized in the provision of MegaLink® Light service render any facilities or equipment provided by the customer obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment or system or otherwise affects its use or performance.

d. The Company undertakes to maintain and repair facilities which it furnishes. The customer may not rearrange, disconnect, remove, or attempt to repair any equipment installed by the Company without prior written consent of the Company.

3. Responsibility of the Customer

a. The customer is responsible for installing and testing premises equipment or facilities to insure that when they are connected to MegaLink® Light service such equipment or facilities are operating properly.

b. The operating characteristics of the customer premises equipment shall be such as to not interfere with any of the services offered by the Company. Such use is subject to the further provisions that the equipment provided by the customer does not: endanger the safety of Company employees or the public; damage, require change in or alteration of the equipment or other facilities of the Company; interfere with the proper functioning of such equipment or other facilities of the Company; impair the operation of the Company's facilities or otherwise injure the public in its use of the Company's services. Upon notice that the equipment provided by a customer is causing or is likely to cause such hazard or interference, the customer shall take such steps as shall be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard or interference.

c. The customer's responsibility shall include cooperative testing with the Company as may be necessary. Where regeneration and/or equalization adjustments or changes may be required to compensate for rearrangements and/or changes in outside plant facilities, the customer will be responsible for all expenses incurred in changes to his premises equipment.

d. When MegaLink® Light service is connected at the serving wire center to another service which is provisioned with ANSI T1.403-1995 Extended Superframe Format (ESF) and/or Clear Channel Capability, the customer will be required to add the same format and/or line code standard to the MegaLink® Light service to ensure compatibility. Rates and regulations associated with Clear Channel Capability are located in B7.1 of this tariff.

e. It will be the responsibility of the customer to make a power supply available when required by the Company for its use, using Company-provided, location specific, specifications for termination, type and location.

E. Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances

1. The minimum initial service period for MegaLink® Light service is 24 months. Month-to-Month rates may be specified upon completion of the initial 24 month service period.

2. Suspension of service is not allowed.

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- E. Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowances (Cont'd)
 - 3. A service interruption of 30 minutes or more, attributable to the MegaLink® Light service Local Channel portion of the customer's end-to-end service, will result in the credit of an amount as specified in a. through e. following. These credits are applicable to the Company's MegaLink® Light service Local Channel portion of the customer's end-to-end service, where the trouble is in the Company's local channel facility on public right-of-way. Credits will be applied through normal administrative processes and the dollar amount will be reflected on the customer's bill. A customer must report the outage in order to receive service outage credit, and the total credit received in any month shall not exceed the monthly rate for the service.
 - a. For service interruptions of from 30 to 150 minutes duration, the customer will receive a credit of an amount equal to 25 percent of the Local Channel monthly recurring rate.
 - b. For service interruptions of from 151 to 210 minutes duration, the customer will receive a credit of an amount equal to 50 percent of the Local Channel monthly recurring rate.
 - c. For service interruptions greater than 210 minutes duration, the customer will receive a credit of an amount equal to 100 percent of the Local Channel monthly recurring rate.
 - d. Service outages of less than 30 minutes duration will not receive credit.
 - e. Service outage credits for services into which MegaLink® Light service Local Channels are terminated will be as is appropriate for those other services.
 - 4. MegaLink® Light service is eligible for credit of nonrecurring charges under provisions of the "Service Installation Guarantee" found in B2.4.17 preceding.

F. Service Changes
If the change involves changing a customer's MegaLink® service Local Channel to a MegaLink® Light service Local Channel, the change will be considered a disconnect of the existing service and full nonrecurring charges will apply for the MegaLink® Light service, as appropriate. Changes from MegaLink® service to MegaLink® Light service will be considered an upgrade with regard to application of termination liability charges in accordance with the CSPP provisions provided in B2.4 preceding.

G. Independent Company Territories
Regulations, rates and charges applicable for MegaLink® Light service apply to MegaLink® Light service provided in BellSouth serving areas and areas of Independent Companies that concur in BellSouth's Private Line Services Tariff. In those cases where a portion of MegaLink® Light service is furnished by an Independent Company that does not concur in BellSouth's Private Line Services Tariff, the rates and regulations of the Independent Company apply to the portion of MegaLink® Light service it furnishes.

B7.10.3 Rates and Charges

- A. Recurring Rates
 - 1. A MegaLink® Light service Local Channel is furnished between a customer's premises and its normal Serving Wire Center (SWC). Rates are based on the airline distance between the customer's premises and its normal SWC.
- B. Nonrecurring Charges
 - 1. Service Establishment Charges are applicable, for each MegaLink® Light service Local Channel ordered, for receiving and recording information and/or taking action in connection with a customer's request, and processing the necessary data. These charges include engineering design, common centralized testing and coordination.
 - 2. Service Change Charges are applicable for receiving and recording information and/or taking action in connection with a customer's Inside Move or Transfer of Service responsibility request, for processing the necessary data on an existing MegaLink® Light service Local Channel. A Service Change Charge is applicable for each MegaLink® Light service Local Channel associated with the customer request (in lieu of a Service Establishment Charge).
 - 3. A Premises Visit Charge is applicable, per MegaLink® Light service Local Channel, for termination of the channel at a customer's premises or for Inside Moves. Only one Premises Visit Charge applies when more than one MegaLink® Light service Local Channel is terminated or moved at the same premises, during the same visit.
 - 4. Connection charges are applicable for the connection and testing of MegaLink® Light service Local Channels. The applicable charges are those nonrecurring charges specified in C.1. following.

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B7.10 MegaLink® Light Service

(N)

B7.10.3 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

(N)

B. Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

5. Moves

(N)

a. A move involves a change in the physical location of one of the following:

(N)

(1) the point of interface at the customer premises, or

(N)

(2) the customer's premises.

(N)

b. The charges for the move are dependent on whether the move is to a new location within the same building or to a different building.

(N)

(1) Moves Within the Same Building

(N)

When the move is to a new location within the same building, the charge for the move will be an amount equal to one-half the nonrecurring charge. There will be no change in the minimum period requirements. If a move is made at the same time a service rearrangement is made, the total charge will never exceed a full nonrecurring charge for the month-to-month service.

(N)

(2) To a Different Building

(N)

When the move is to a new location in Company territory within the same state, the charge for the move is equal to the sum of all nonrecurring charges applicable to a new MegaLink® Light service month-to-month service arrangement at the new location.

(N)

When the move is to a new location in Company territory in a different state, the move will be treated as a discontinuance and start of service. The customer will be responsible for satisfying all outstanding minimum period charges for the discontinued service. All applicable nonrecurring charges at the new location will apply.

(N)

C. Rate and Charge Amounts

(N)

1. MegaLink® Light Service, Local Channel

(N)

	Nonrecurring Charge	Month to Month	24 to 48 Months	49 to 72 Months	73 to 96 Months	USOC
(a) First ½ Mile	\$300.00	\$180.00	\$140.00	\$130.00	\$125.00	1LDPL
(b) Each additional ½ Mile, or fraction thereof	-	36.00	31.00	29.00	27.00	1LDPM
2. Service Establishment Charge						
(a) Each	600.00	-	-	-	-	MLLSE
3. Service Change Charge, Inside Move						
(a) Each	425.00	-	-	-	-	MLL1M
4. Service Change Charge, Transfer of Responsibility						
(a) Each	350.00	-	-	-	-	MLLTR
5. Premises Visit Charge						
(a) Each	35.00	-	-	-	-	MLLPV

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B7.11 Business Programs

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B7.11.1 BellSouth Select Business Program

(N)

For the purpose of this sub-section, B7.11.1, concerning the BellSouth Select Business Program, "BellSouth" shall mean BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and its Affiliates and BST shall mean BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

(N)

- A. The BellSouth Select Business program ("Program") is a BellSouth-wide customer loyalty program operated and managed by BellSouth Select, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of BellSouth Corporation. The Program allows customers who meet certain criteria set by each participating BellSouth company to earn points ("Select Points") that can be redeemed for (1) various BellSouth non-regulated products and services (including discounts on such products and services); (2) cash, in the form of a check issued by BellSouth Select, Inc.; or (3) non-BellSouth products and services (including discounts on such products and services). In order to redeem Select Points, the Program participants must be current on payment of their BellSouth account(s). (N)
- B. Under BST's Program eligibility requirements any existing or new business customer that spends between \$100 and \$3000 per month on services with BST are eligible for enrollment in the Program. There is no charge to enroll in the Program and no term or volume commitment associated with the Program. Customers that increase their monthly spend above the initial eligibility criteria may remain in the Program. Customers may terminate their participation in the Program at any time by notifying BellSouth in writing. (N)
- C. BellSouth customers enrolled in the Program receive one (1) Select Point for each dollar of spend for BST products and services. Select Points awarded by other BellSouth companies may vary. Customers spend is calculated based on the sum of all charges including taxes, FCC charges and 911 charges. The cash value of a Select Point is \$.025. (N)
- D. Program participants may change their service address (within the BST service territory), add additional BellSouth products and services, or make changes to the telephone number(s) associated with their enrolled account and continue as a Program participant. If a Program participant discontinues all BellSouth products and services, Program participation will be terminated and all accumulated and unredeemed Select Points will be forfeited. (N)
- E. BellSouth will provide notice of the existence of the Program and all eligibility criteria to its customers. (N)
- F. BellSouth Select, Inc. reserves the right to terminate the Program at any time. No additional Select Points will be awarded from and after the Program termination date. (N)
- G. Any BellSouth customer/subscriber that is enrolled in the immediate predecessor to the Program as of the effective date of this tariff will automatically be enrolled in the Program and any and all earned and unredeemed Select Points (whether then credited to the customer's Select Point account) available to a customer under that predecessor program shall be redeemable by the Program participant in accordance with the terms and conditions then applicable to the Program. (N)
- H. Further information concerning the Program, including Select Point redemption options and other terms and conditions of the Program, is available at www.bellsouthselectbusiness.com. In the event of a conflict between any of the information set forth in the referenced website and this tariff, the terms and conditions of this tariff will prevail. (N)

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B7.12 BellSouth® 256 DSL Service

B7.12.1 General

- A. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is furnished for IntraLATA communications by the Company.
- B. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is a service for the transmission of digital signals only and using digital transmission facilities.
- C. BellSouth® 256 DSL service provides for the simultaneous two-way transmission of digital signals at speeds of 256 Kbps, where facilities are available. Service inquiries will be necessary to determine service availability.
- D. Unless specified following, the regulations for BellSouth® 256 DSL service specified herein apply in addition to the regulations set forth in this and other applicable Company tariffs, but do not include any regulations, rates or charges which may be applied or charged to the customer by a Network Service Provider (NSP).
- E. The rates specified for BellSouth® 256 DSL service in B7.12.3 following, contemplate the provision of a digital quality facility over existing interoffice carrier equipment and/or exchange cable facilities compatible with this service. The physical layer transport will utilize 2B1Q technology on a 2-wire Local Channel. If changes to existing facilities or equipment are required for the provision of this service, a special construction charge based on the cost incurred to make the changes will apply in addition to the charges and rates for BellSouth® 256 DSL service.
- F. The effective date for BellSouth® 256 DSL service is contingent upon the Public Notice of Network Disclosure to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), in support of BellSouth® 256 DSL service, becoming final under the FCC's rules. This Network Disclosure is in accordance with Parts 51.325 - 51.335 of the Code of Federal Regulations. Should a party intervene in the Network Disclosure process, it is possible this tariff may have to be withdrawn pending resolution of the intervention.

B7.12.2 Regulations

- A. Description of Service
 1. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is made available to customers for the transport of data-only communications and provides, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, for the establishment of a point-to-point private line channel between two customer-designated locations through a common Serving Wire Center (SWC) or through a remote SWC using a BellSouth® 256 DSL service interoffice channel. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is primarily intended to provide a private line channel between two customer designated locations for the transport of intraLATA high-speed data.
 2. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is furnished where suitable facilities are available as determined by the Company. BellSouth® 256 DSL service Central Office availability will be as listed in the National Exchange Carriers Association (N.E.C.A.) F.C.C. Tariff No. 4 for DS1 compatible offices.

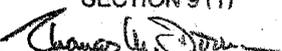
This service is available to customers served via metallic local channel facilities meeting Carrier Serving Area Design Guidelines as specified in T1 Technical Report #28, "A Technical Report on High-Bit-Rate Digital Subscriber Lines (HDSL)," available from the Committee T1 website at the following address:

 - www.t1.org
 3. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is available at symmetric data rates of 256 Kbps.
 4. Multipoint service is not available.
 5. Connection of communications systems provided by others may be made on a permissive basis as provided for in Section B2. The Company does not represent its BellSouth® 256 DSL service as adapted for such connection, and shall not be responsible for the through transmission of signals, or the quality of such transmission on such connections.
 6. To ensure satisfactory operation, the terminal equipment provided by the customer must be compatible with the facility provided by the Company. The customer is responsible for providing, installing and maintaining the Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) transceiver unit at the customer premises. A transceiver unit equivalent to the Adtran Fractional Network Interface Device must be used. Currently, details of the aforementioned device may be obtained by accessing the following website:
 - www2.adtran.com/data_sheets/html/61245/201/11-8/

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B7.12 BellSouth® 256 DSL Service (Cont'd)

B7.12.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

A. Description of Service (Cont'd)

6. (Cont'd)

The Network Interface (NI) must utilize a plug and jack arrangement. Because BellSouth® 256 DSL service may serve customers with other type services, a multi-line plug and jack may be utilized at the NI. In such case, an unused position in any of the connectors specified in T1 Technical Report #5, "Network and Customer Installation Interface Connector Wiring Configuration Catalog" for two-wire interconnection may be utilized. This document may be obtained from the Committee T1 website at the following address:

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In those cases where an unused position on a multi-line jack is not available, or where the customer dictates such a position may not be used, the Company will install an RJ11 jack.

7. BellSouth® 256 DSL service cannot be utilized as a "Link" for part of a two-point or multipoint arrangement.
8. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is not a candidate for channelization by the Company.
9. BellSouth® 256 DSL service cannot be terminated into a Company Exchange service switch.
10. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is not eligible for credit of nonrecurring charges under provisions of the Service Installation Guarantee.

B. Definitions

Digital Local Channel

The term "Digital Local Channel" denotes a path for BellSouth® 256 DSL service furnished from the demarcation point at the customer designated location to its normal SWC. A Digital Local Channel may be furnished in such manner as the Company may elect.

Interoffice Channel

The term "Interoffice Channel" denotes a path (or paths) for digital transmission between Company SWCs within a LATA. An interoffice channel may be furnished in such manner as the Company may elect.

C. Application of Rates

1. Monthly rates and nonrecurring charges apply for each BellSouth® 256 DSL service Digital Local Channel, on a per Digital Local Channel basis.
2. Monthly rates and nonrecurring charges apply for each BellSouth® 256 DSL Interoffice Channel. Interoffice Channels will be charged for at rates based on the airline distance between Central Offices.
3. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is available on a month-to-month basis, upon completion of an initial 12 month service period.
4. A move charge applies for each BellSouth® 256 DSL service Local Channel moved to a customer's new premises. This charge is equal to the sum of all the nonrecurring charges applicable for installation of applicable new BellSouth® 256 DSL service rate elements.

D. Connections

1. Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected to BellSouth® 256 DSL service when such connection is made in accordance with the provision specified in 2, 3, and 4 following.
2. Responsibility of the Company
 - a. The responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing and maintenance of BellSouth® 256 DSL service to that point on the customer's premises where provision is made for the connection of customer-provided equipment. If the customer requires a different location in the same building, it can be provided under the Premises Network Wiring Charge found in Section B3. of this Tariff.

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B7.12 BellSouth® 256 DSL Service (Cont'd)

B7.12.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

D. Connections (Cont'd)

2. Connections (Cont'd)

- b. The Company shall not be responsible for installation, operation, or maintenance of any terminal equipment or communications systems provided by a customer. BellSouth® 256 DSL service is not represented as adapted for the use of such equipment or system. Where such equipment or system is connected to Company facilities, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of facilities suitable for BellSouth® 256 DSL service and to the maintenance and operation in a manner proper for such digital service. The Company shall not be responsible for:

- the through transmission of signals generated by such equipment or system, or for the quality of or defects in such transmission, or
- the reception of signals by such equipment or systems, or
- damage to terminal equipment or communications systems provided by a customer or authorized user due to testing.

- c. The Company shall not be responsible to the customer if changes in any of the facilities, operations or procedures of the Company utilized in the provision of BellSouth® 256 DSL service render any facilities or equipment provided by a customer obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment or system, or otherwise affects its use or performance.

- d. The Company undertakes to maintain and repair the facilities, which it furnishes. The customer may not rearrange, disconnect, remove or attempt to repair any equipment installed by the Company without prior written consent of the Company.

3. Responsibility of the Customer

- a. The customer is responsible for installing and testing their premises equipment or facilities to insure that when they are connected with BellSouth® 256 DSL service such equipment or facilities are operating properly.

- b. The operating characteristics of the customer premises equipment or facilities shall be such as not to interfere with any of the services offered by the Company. Such use is subject to the further provisions that the equipment provided by a customer does not: endanger the safety of Company employees or the public; damage, require change in or alteration of the equipment or other facilities of the Company; interfere with the proper functioning of such equipment or facilities; impair the operation of the Company's facilities or otherwise injure the public in its use of the Company's services. Upon notice from the Company that the equipment provided by a customer is causing or is likely to cause such hazard or interference the customer shall take such steps as shall be necessary to remove or prevent such hazard or interference.

- c. The customer's responsibility shall include cooperative testing with the Company as may be necessary. Where regeneration and/or equalization adjustments or changes may be required to compensate for rearrangements and/or changes in outside plant facilities, the customer will be responsible for all expenses incurred in changes to their premises equipment.

- d. The customer shall be responsible for payment of a Trouble Determination Charge as specified in Section B2. of this Tariff for visits by the Company to the premises of the customer where the service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of equipment or facilities provided by the customer.

4. Connection of Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems

- a. The following provisions will apply:

- (1) Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment and/or Customer-Provided Communications Systems may be connected at the premises of the customer to BellSouth® 256 DSL service.
- (2) The customer, by use of their own derivation equipment, may create digital bit streams from a BellSouth® 256 DSL service and such equipment may be connected for transmission of such bit streams when connected thru a customer-provided Channel Service Unit/Termination Equipment.
- (3) The undertaking of the Company is to furnish BellSouth® 256 DSL service as ordered. The customer is required to provide the Channel Service Unit/Termination Equipment as specified in the following:

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B7.12 BellSouth® 256 DSL Service

B7.12.2 Regulations (Cont'd)

4. Connection of Customer-Provided Terminal Equipment, Customer-Provided Derivation Equipment and Customer-Provided Communications Systems (Cont'd)
 - b. Connections to other services furnished by the Company to the same customer:

BellSouth® 256 DSL service furnished by the Company may be connected by the customer to another service or to other services furnished by the Company as specified in 2. and 3. preceding. Connected services are subject to all rules and regulations governing the provisioning of those services.
 - c. Connections to other services furnished by the Company to different customers:

The customer may connect, at the premises of the customer, to another BellSouth® 256 DSL service or other services furnished by the Company to different customers as specified in 2. and 3. preceding. Connected services are subject to all rules and regulations governing the provisions of those services.
 - d. Connection of Channel Service Units:

When required a Channel Service Unit or appropriate Termination Equipment must be provided by the customer to connect a Company-provided digital facility.
 - e. Connections to other services furnished by Network Service Providers:

The customer may connect BellSouth® 256 DSL service, at a designated premises of the customer, to service furnished by a Network Service Provider. Connected services are subject to all rules and regulations governing those services. To qualify for this connectivity, the customer must have a direct use for this arrangement of their own.
- E. Payment Arrangements and Credit Allowance
 1. The minimum period for which BellSouth® 256 DSL service is furnished and for which charges are applicable, upon completion of an initial service period as specified in B7.12.2.A preceding, is one month.
 2. Suspension of service is not allowed.
 3. When BellSouth® 256 DSL service is interrupted due to causes other than negligence of the customer, or to the failure of connected services, facilities or equipment furnished by the customer, a credit allowance will be made, upon customer request, for the portion of service affected. For the purpose of determining the amount of allowance, every month is considered to have 30 days. All credit allowances shall begin from the time of notice by the customer to the Company, and will end when the service is operative. No credit is allowed for interruption to service of less than 30 minutes. Interruptions of 30 minutes or more are credited to the customer at the proportionate monthly rate in half-hour multiples for each half-hour, or major fraction thereof, of interruption. A customer must report the outage in order to receive service outage credit. The total credit received in any month shall not exceed the monthly rate for the service.
 4. A Termination Liability Charge is applicable, for termination of service prior to completion of the initial service period. The applicable charge is dependent upon the number of months completed service, and will be equal to the number of initial service period months, minus the months completed service, multiplied by the monthly recurring rate.

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B7.12.2 BellSouth® 256 DSL Service (Cont'd)

B7.12.3 Rates and Charges

A.	A Digital Local Channel is furnished between a customer premises location and its normal Serving Wire Center				(N)
1.	Digital Local Channel				(N)
		Nonrecurring	Monthly	USOC	
		Charge	Rate		
		\$225.00	\$160.00	TMEHD	(N)
(a)	Each Channel				(N)
B.	An Interoffice Channel is Furnished between Serving Wire Centers				(N)
1.	Interoffice Channel, each channel 0 – 8 miles				(N)
(a)	Fixed Monthly Rate	50.00	75.00	3LBAA	(N)
(b)	Each airline mile, or fraction thereof	-	15.00	3LBBA	(N)
2.	Interoffice Channel, each channel 9 – 25 miles				(N)
(a)	Fixed Monthly Rate	50.00	75.00	3LBCA	(N)
(b)	Each airline mile, or fraction thereof	-	15.00	3LBDA	(N)
3.	Interoffice Channel, each channel greater than 25 miles				(N)
(a)	Fixed Monthly Rate	50.00	75.00	3LBEA	(N)
(b)	Each airline mile, or fraction thereof	-	15.00	3LBFA	(N)
C.	Miscellaneous Charges				(N)
1.	Service Connection Charges				(N)
a.	Service Establishment				(N)
(1)	Per BellSouth® 256 DSL service, channel				(N)
(a)	Each				(N)
b.	Service Change – Inside Move				(N)
(1)	Per BellSouth® 256 DSL service, channel				(N)
(a)	Each	300.00		HDSSC	(N)
c.	Service Change – Transfer of Responsibility				(N)
(1)	Per BellSouth® 256 DSL service, channel				(N)
(a)	Each		25.00	HDSTR	(N)
d.	Premises Visit				(N)
(1)	Per BellSouth® 256 DSL service, Digital Local Channel, including when Premises Visit is for an inside move.				(N)
(a)	Each		35.00	HDSPV	(N)

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BellSouth® 256 DSL Service (Cont'd)

B7.12.3 Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

D. Move Charge

A move charge, per BellSouth® 256 DSL service channel, applies for each Digital Local Channel moved to a new location in the same building. This move charge is equal to the Digital Local Channel Nonrecurring Charge, Service Change Charge - Inside Moves, plus Premises Visit Charge(s).

E. Service Connection Charges

1. Service Establishment Charges are applicable, for each BellSouth® 256 DSL service channel ordered, for receiving and recording information and/or taking action in connection with a customer's request, and processing the necessary data. These actions include engineering design, common centralized testing and coordination. The charge is as specified in B7.12.3.C.1.a.(1)(a).
2. Service Change Charges are applicable for receiving and recording information and/or taking action in connection with a customer's Inside Move or transfer of service responsibility request and for processing the necessary data for an existing BellSouth® 256 DSL service channel. A Service Change Charge is applicable for each BellSouth® 256 DSL service channel associated with the customer request (in lieu of a Service Establishment Charge) and is as specified in B7.12.3.C.1.b.(1)(a) and B7.12.3.C.1.c(1)(a).
3. Premises Visit Charges are applicable, per Digital Local Channel, for the termination of a channel at a customer's designated premises or for inside moves. Only one Premises Visit Charge applies when more than one channel service of the same type is terminated or moved at the same premises at the same time. The appropriate charge is as specified in B7.12.3.C.1.d.(1)(a).
4. Connection charges are applicable for the connection and testing of Digital Local Channels and/or Interoffice Channels. The charges applied are those nonrecurring charges specified in B7.12.3.A and B preceding.

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